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HIGHLIGHTS

- **B.C. employment fell by 4,300 in January, following a decrease of 2,600 in December**. This was accompanied by an even larger decrease 5,300 in the number of people looking for work (unemployed), which reduced the B.C. unemployment rate by 0.2 percentage points to 8.2 per cent.
- **B.C. employment by industry in January saw slight employment declines in both the goods and services sector.** Within services, employment gains in transportation and warehousing, retail and wholesale trade, education and accommodation, food and beverage and other services were more than offset by decreases in professional, scientific and technical services, public administration, health and social services and finance and related services.
- **Men aged 25 and over saw an employment increase of 6,900 in January, almost all of it in full-time work**. Youth age 15-24 had job losses of 7,300, and women age 25 and over lost 3,900 jobs. Overall, full-time employment rose by 1,500 and part-time employment declined by 5,800 in January.
- **Canadian seasonally-adjusted employment declined by 2,100, a relatively small amount in January from December.** Employment gains in Ontario, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland were offset by employment declines in all other provinces. A decline in the size of the Canadian labour force occurred as previously unemployed persons left the labour force, nudging down the national unemployment rate to 7.4 per cent.

Selected Statistics (SA)*	Jan. 2003	Dec. 2002	Jan. 2002
B.C. Unemployment Rate	8.2%	8.4%	8.8%
Canada Unemployment Rate	7.4%	7.5%	7.9%
B.C. Help Wanted Index - (1996=100)	85.5	86.3	96.1
B.C. Employment - Change from prev. mo.	-0.2%	-0.1%	-
B.C. Labour Force - Change from prev. mo.	-0.4%	-0.3%	-
B.C. Labour Force Participation Rate	64.8%	65.1%	64.5%

* Unless otherwise indicated, all labour force variables are seasonally adjusted.

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B.C. Labour Market for Construction Trades and Other Trades Workers

Introduction . . . The Labour Force Survey provides estimates of employment and earnings data on the basis of occupation. This article focuses upon reviewing B.C. employment in two major groups of occupations (construction trades and other trades). These major groups are found within the broad occupational category (or skill type) called *trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations*. These occupations are found in a wide range of industrial sectors, with many occurring in the construction, manufacturing and various services industries. They include most of the apprenticeable trades, including all of those related to the construction industry.

Construction Trades Occupations . . The following is a detailed list of the occupations that make up the construction trades occupations in the Labour Force Survey;

- *Plumbers, pipefitters and gas fitters*, including steamfitters and sprinkler system installers
- *Carpenters, joiners and cabinetmakers*
- *Masonry and plastering trades* including bricklayers, concrete finishers, tilesetters, plasters, drywall installers and finishers and lathers
- *Other construction trades* including roofers and shinglers, glaziers, insulators, painters and decorators and floor covering installers

Other Trades Occupations . . . This broad and diverse group comprisees machining, products fabricating, assembling and repairing and other trades occupations.

- *Machinists and related occupations* including machinists and machining and tooling inspectors, tool and die makers
- *Electrical trades and telecommunication occupations* including electricians, industrial electricians, power system electricians, electrical power line and cable workers, telecommunications line and cable workers, telecommunications installation and repair workers, cable television service and maintenance technicians.
- *Metal forming, shaping and erecting trades* including sheet metal workers, boilermakers, structural metal and platework fabricators and fitters, ironworkers, welders and related machine operators, blacksmiths and die setters
- *Machinery and transportation equipment mechanics* including construction millwrights and industrial mechanics, heavy-duty equipment mechanics, refrigeration and air conditioning mechanics, railway carmen/women, aircraft mechanics and aircraft inspectors, machine fitters, textile machinery mechanics and repairers, elevator construction and mechanics
- *Automotive service technicians*, including truck mechanics and mechanical repairers, motor vehicle body repairers
- *Other mechanics* including oil and solid fuel heating mechanics, electric appliance servicers and repairers, electrical mechanics, motorcycle and other related mechanics, other small engine and equipment mechanics
- *Upholsters, tailors, shoe repairers, jewellers and related occupations* including dressmakers, furriers and milliners, shoe repairers and shoemakers, watch repairers and related occupations
- *Stationary engineers and power station and system operators*
- *Printing press operators, commercial divers and other trades related occupations*
- *Other installers and servicers* including residential and commercial installers and servicers, waterworks and gas maintenance workers, automotive mechanical installers and servicers, pest controllers and fumigators and other repairers and servicers

Employment . . . Figure 1 shows employment in the broad occupational category of *trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations* and its major groups compared to all occupations in B.C. In 2002, employment in this broad occupational category represented 14.1 per cent of employment in B.C.

In the 15 years between 1987 and 2002, employment grew more slowly (15.3 per cent) in this broad occupational group than the 43.6 per cent average for all occupations.

Between 1987 and 1992, construction trades occupations had strong employment growth, averaging over 45 per cent, but employment in the other trades occupations grew at only 9.3 per cent. Overall for the broad occupational category, employment growth averaged 16.4 per cent, which was just short of the 17.9 per cent average for all occupations.

During the next five years, 1992-1997, employment growth in the construction trades and other trades occupations grew much more slowly, 9.3 per cent and 5.0 per cent respectively. The overall broad occupational group grew at half the previous rate (8.2 per) compared to growth of 15.3 per cent for all occupations.

Between 1997 and 2002, there was employment declines in the construction trades and other trades occupations (down 13.8 per cent and 0.3 per cent). Employment fell by 8.4 per cent for the overall *trades, transport and equipment operator* category in B.C. This contrasted to growth of 5.6 per cent in employment for all occupations during this period.

Self-employment in 2002 within this broad occupational group was higher than the B.C. average (22.7 vs. 19.0 per cent), and is particularly high among construction contractors and construction tradespersons.

Figure 1: B.C. Employment in the Trades, Transport and Equipment and Related Occupations

	Employment (000's)*				% Change				
	1987	1992	1997	2002	1987-1992	1992-1997	1997-2002	1987-2002	% Self-Employed in 2002
Total, all occupations	**1,374.6**	**1,620.3**	**1,869.0**	**1,973.4**	**17.9%**	**15.3%**	**5.6%**	**43.6%**	**19.0%**
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	241.7	281.3	304.3	278.8	16.4%	8.2%	-8.4%	15.3%	22.7%
Contractors and supervisors in trades and transportation	26.3	37.3	31.8	33.7	41.8%	-14.7%	6.0%	28.1%	54.3%
Construction trades	**33.1**	**48.4**	**52.9**	**45.6**	**46.2%**	**9.3%**	**-13.8%**	**37.8%**	**34.4%**
Other trades occupations	**80.8**	**88.3**	**92.7**	**92.4**	**9.3%**	**5.0%**	**-0.3%**	**14.4%**	**14.8%**
Transport and equip. operators	66.7	68.7	75.4	74.4	3.0%	9.8%	-1.3%	11.5%	20.4%
Trades helpers, construction and transportation labourers and related occupations	34.9	38.7	51.5	32.6	10.9%	33.1%	-36.7%	-6.6%	0.3%

* The sum of the major groups may not add to the broad occupational category, due to rounding

Trades occupations in B.C. compared to other provinces. . . Figure 2 shows indexed employment growth in the construction trades and other trades groups for B.C., Ontario and Alberta. In Ontario, the 1991/92 recession hit the construction trades group hard, with declines in employment between 1989 and 1992. However in B.C., construction trades employment was rising during that time period. By 2002, construction trades employment in Ontario had just barely recovered to 1987 levels while B.C. employment in construction trades grew by

almost 40 per cent. Construction trades employment in Alberta while slow to get started, almost doubled between 1987 and 2002.

Employment in the other trades occupations group showed less fluctuation and exhibited more moderate growth than in the construction trades during the period 1987 to 2002. While B.C. and Alberta showed modest employment growth for other trades occupations, Ontario employment for this group has failed to recover to 1987 employment levels.

Figure 2: Growth in B.C. Employment for Construction and Other Trades, Indexed (1987=100)

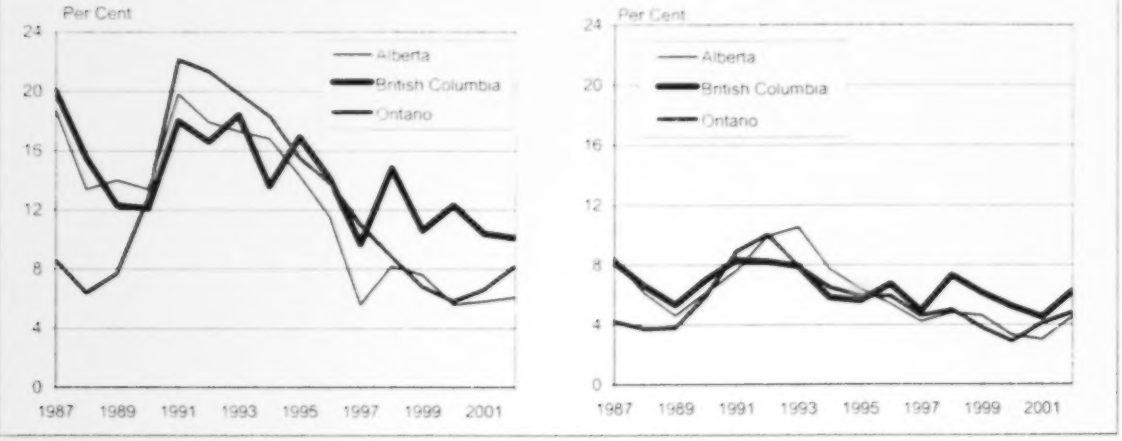
Unemployment Rates . . . As seen in Figure 3, unemployment rates have been falling in the construction trades occupations since the early 1990s in B.C. , Alberta and Ontario. In 1991, the unemployment rate in construction trades in B.C. (18.0 per cent), was lower than in Alberta (19.8 per cent) and Ontario (22.1 per cent). Since then, these unemployment rates have been falling in all three provinces but the rate of decline has been greater in Ontario and Alberta than in B.C. In 2002, the construction trades unemployment rate in B.C. (10.1 per cent) was higher than Alberta (6.1 per cent) and Ontario (8.2 per cent). In 2002, the unemployment rate in construction trades in all three provinces was the lowest or near the lowest seen over the last 15 years.

Between 1987 and 2002, unemployment rates in the other trades occupations were considerably lower than construction trades occupations. In 2002, the other trades occupations unemployment rate fell below the overall provincial unemployment rate in each province. A lower-than-average and declining unemployment rate are two signs of a potential tightening in the supply of available workers in these occupations.

Average Hourly Earnings . . . A look at Figure 4 shows currently available data for average hourly wage rates in the construction trades and other trades occupations in three provinces.

Between 1997 and 2002, Alberta had the lowest hourly average wage rates in both construction and other trades groups but saw the fastest growth in wages in that time period. Alberta's average hourly wages rose in the construction trades group by 20.4 per cent and in the other trades group by 21.7 per cent and went a long way toward closing the wage gap between Alberta

Figure 3: B.C. Unemployment Rates in Construction and Other Trades Occupations

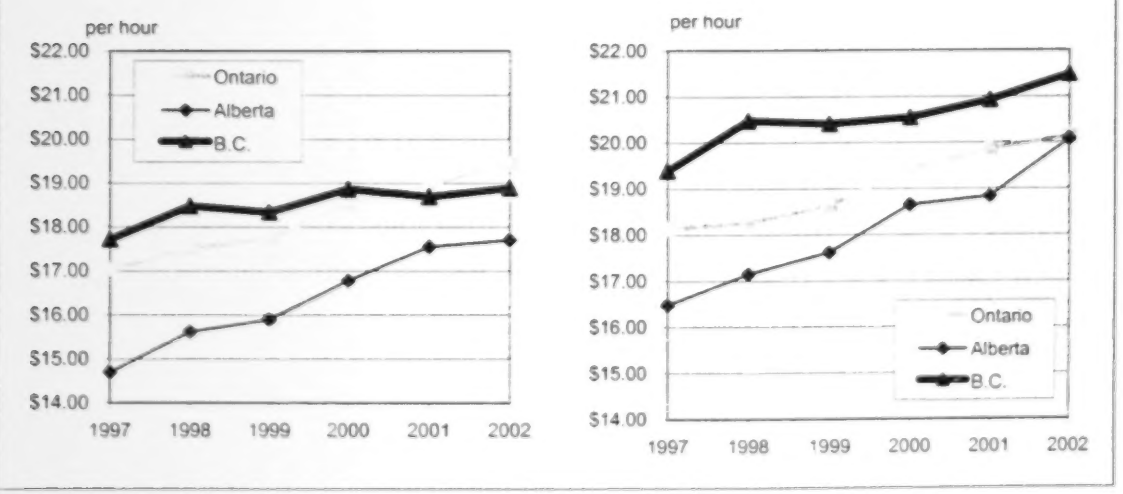


and the other two provinces depicted.

In 1997, B.C. had higher average hourly wages in both the construction trades and other trades group than the other two provinces, but in the construction trades group, due to more modest wage growth, Ontario average wages have exceeded B.C. average wages since 2001.

Compared to average hourly wages for total occupations by province in 2002, wages in both groups of trades occupations are generally higher. A notable exception is Alberta where the average hourly wage in 2002 for construction trades was lower than the all-occupation average for that province. The stronger pace of growth in wage rates in the construction trades and the other trades group in Ontario and Alberta suggest a relative tightening of demand and supply for skilled trades workers in those two provinces over the last five years.

Figure 4: B.C. Average Hourly Earnings for Construction and Other Trades Occupations



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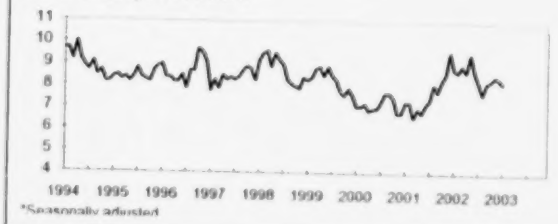
1 Summary for January 2003--Actual and Seasonally Adjusted

	Current January 2003		Previous Month December 2002		One Year Ago January 2002		Change from December 2002		Change from January 2002	
	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.
British Columbia										
Working Age Population ('000)	3345.8		3343.1		3303.9		0.1%		1.3%	
Labour Force ('000)	2136.0	2167.3	2151.9	2176.9	2101.6	2130.1	-0.7%	-0.4%	1.6%	1.7%
Employment ('000)	1944.5	1990.3	1977.0	1994.6	1899.6	1942.4	-1.6%	-0.2%	2.4%	2.5%
Unemployment ('000)	191.6	177.0	174.9	182.3	201.9	187.7	9.5%	-2.9%	-5.1%	-5.7%
Employment Rate[1]	58.1%	59.5%	59.1%	59.7%	57.5%	58.8%				
Unemployment Rate	9.0%	8.2%	8.1%	8.4%	9.6%	8.8%				
Participation Rate	63.8%	64.8%	64.4%	65.1%	63.6%	64.5%				
Canada										
Working Age Population ('000)	25,108.2		25,087.4		24,793.6		0.1%		1.3%	
Labour Force ('000)	16,611.3	16,906.1	16,744.1	16,925.3	16,197.3	16,481.3	-0.8%	-0.1%	2.6%	2.6%
Employment ('000)	15,266.3	15,647.6	15,548.8	15,649.7	14,796.7	15,180.5	-1.8%	0.0%	3.2%	3.1%
Unemployment ('000)	1,345.0	1,258.5	1,195.2	1,275.6	1,400.6	1,300.8	12.5%	-1.3%	-4.0%	-3.3%
Employment Rate[1]	60.8%	62.3%	62.0%	62.4%	59.7%	61.2%				
Unemployment Rate	8.1%	7.4%	7.1%	7.5%	8.6%	7.9%				
Participation Rate	66.2%	67.3%	66.7%	67.5%	65.3%	66.5%				

BC Unemployment Rate*:



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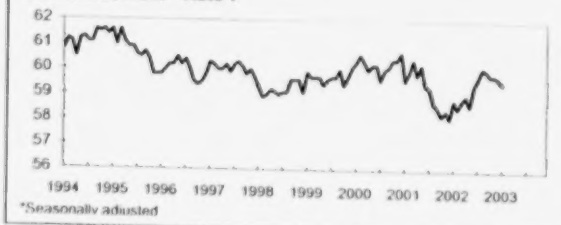
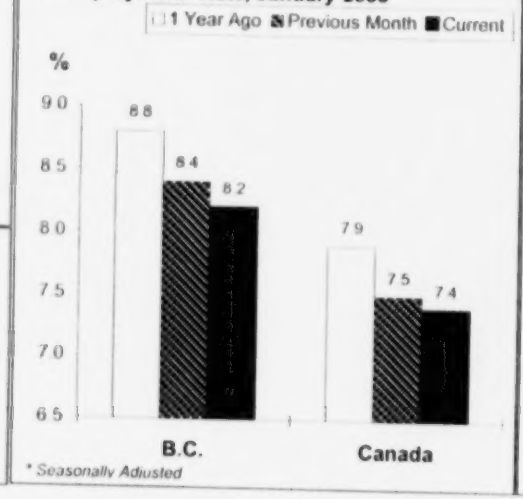
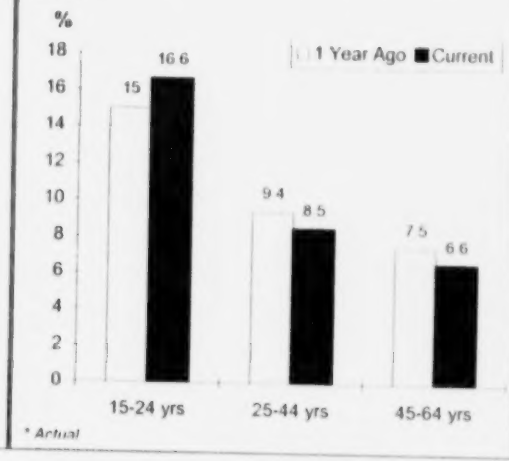


Unemployment* Rate, January 2003



BC Unemployment* Rates by Age, January 2003



[1] Employment rate is calculated as employment as a percent of the working age population

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Source: Statistics Canada

2 BC Monthly Labour Force Data

	Actual							
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	(%)	(%)
1993	1,855.6		1,675.9		179.7		9.7	66.7
1994	1,928.1	3.9	1,754.0	4.7	174.1	-3.1	9.0	67.2
1995	1,957.6	1.5	1,792.3	2.2	165.3	-5.1	8.4	66.3
1996	1,994.5	1.9	1,821.2	1.6	173.4	4.9	8.7	65.7
1997	2,040.3	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	171.3	-1.2	8.4	65.6
1998	2,051.2	0.5	1,870.2	0.1	181.0	5.7	8.8	64.9
1999	2,079.1	1.4	1,906.4	1.9	172.8	-4.5	8.3	65.1
2000	2,099.7	1.0	1,949.1	2.2	150.6	-12.8	7.2	64.9
2001	2,103.5	0.2	1,942.4	-0.3	161.1	7.0	7.7	64.1
2002	2,157.8	2.6	1,973.4	1.6	184.4	14.5	8.5	64.9
	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*		
2002 Jan	2,101.6	1.8	1,899.6	-0.1	201.9	23.2	9.6	63.6
Feb	2,097.9	0.5	1,903.7	-1.2	194.2	20.1	9.3	63.4
Mar	2,117.3	1.2	1,920.6	-1.4	196.8	36.9	9.3	63.9
Apr	2,129.1	2.0	1,938.1	0.1	191.0	25.9	9.0	64.2
May	2,163.0	1.6	1,961.8	-1.2	201.2	41.4	9.3	65.2
Jun	2,190.1	2.8	2,010.7	1.3	179.4	23.3	8.2	65.9
Jul	2,205.1	2.9	2,023.0	2.1	182.1	12.6	8.3	66.3
Aug	2,210.9	3.1	2,035.3	3.7	175.7	-2.6	7.9	66.4
Sep	2,184.2	4.3	2,020.6	3.9	163.6	8.7	7.5	65.5
Oct	2,170.6	4.1	2,002.5	4.1	168.1	4.5	7.7	65.0
Nov	2,171.5	3.9	1,987.9	3.8	183.6	4.9	8.5	65.0
Dec	2,151.9	2.7	1,977.0	4.1	174.9	-10.8	8.1	64.4
2003 Jan	2,136.0	1.6	1,944.5	2.4	191.6	-5.1	9.0	63.8
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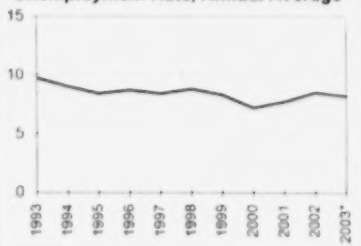
Jan-Jan02	2,101.6		1,899.6		201.9		9.6	63.6
Jan-Jan03	2,136.0		1,944.5		191.6		9.0	63.8
% Change	1.6		2.4		-5.1			

% Change in Employment, Annual Avg

*YTD, seasonally adjusted

Unemployment Rate, Annual Average



* YTD, seasonally adjusted

Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate
	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	(%)	(%)
2002 Jan	2,130.1		1,942.4		187.7		8.8	64.5
Feb	2,118.7	-0.5	1,933.7	-0.4	184.9	-1.5	8.7	64.1
Mar	2,137.1	0.9	1,945.3	0.6	191.8	3.7	9.0	64.5
Apr	2,143.1	0.3	1,957.2	0.6	186.0	-3.0	8.7	64.6
May	2,148.4	0.2	1,944.8	-0.6	203.6	9.5	9.5	64.7
Jun	2,161.5	0.6	1,974.1	1.5	187.4	-8.0	8.7	65.0
Jul	2,164.6	0.1	1,987.8	0.7	176.7	-5.7	8.2	65.0
Aug	2,167.7	0.1	2,001.6	0.7	166.1	-6.0	7.7	65.1
Sep	2,179.4	0.5	2,001.3	0.0	178.1	7.2	8.2	65.3
Oct	2,179.3	0.0	1,997.9	-0.2	181.5	1.9	8.3	65.3
Nov	2,183.1	0.2	1,997.2	0.0	185.9	2.4	8.5	65.3
Dec	2,176.9	-0.3	1,994.6	-0.1	182.3	-1.9	8.4	65.1
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Jan-Jan03	2,167.3		1,990.3		177.0		8.2	64.8
% Change	1.7		2.5		-5.7			

* Per cent changes for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, per cent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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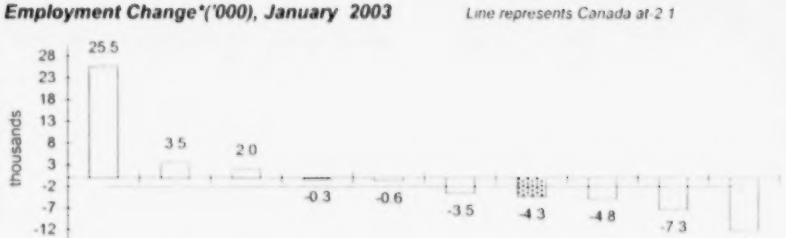
3a Employment ('000) by Province

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1993	1,675.9	1,294.8	450.8	506.5	4,973.8	3,039.9	301.5	367.9	54.4	191.9	12,857.5
1994	1,754.0	1,331.6	455.7	509.5	5,039.2	3,100.6	300.2	373.3	55.4	192.2	13,111.7
1995	1,792.3	1,369.3	459.4	519.0	5,130.6	3,147.5	309.9	377.1	57.3	194.3	13,356.9
1996	1,821.2	1,408.4	457.5	518.6	5,180.8	3,145.9	306.2	378.1	58.9	187.0	13,462.6
1997	1,869.0	1,457.9	470.0	525.6	5,313.4	3,195.1	310.7	384.3	59.2	189.3	13,774.4
1998	1,870.2	1,515.4	476.3	535.7	5,490.0	3,281.5	317.8	398.9	60.4	194.2	14,140.4
1999	1,906.4	1,553.3	480.1	542.7	5,688.1	3,357.4	328.4	408.6	61.3	204.9	14,531.2
2000	1,949.1	1,588.2	485.0	554.4	5,872.1	3,437.7	334.4	419.5	64.5	204.6	14,909.7
2001	1,942.4	1,632.1	472.4	557.9	5,962.7	3,474.5	334.4	423.3	65.9	211.3	15,076.8
2002	1,973.4	1,673.8	482.0	567.0	6,068.0	3,592.7	345.6	428.4	67.1	213.9	15,411.8

Employment Change*('000), January 2003



*Current month over previous month (saadj)

Seasonally Adjusted

		BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2002	Jan	1,899.6	1,627.3	458.7	553.7	5,863.3	3,407.5	321.4	410.0	59.7	195.5	14,796.7
	Feb	1,903.7	1,623.3	464.9	551.2	5,892.5	3,441.1	321.7	406.4	60.6	194.8	14,860.2
	Mar	1,920.6	1,639.3	465.7	559.6	5,914.1	3,483.6	326.8	410.1	61.5	198.8	14,980.1
	Apr	1,938.1	1,631.6	464.3	557.0	5,953.9	3,534.7	331.3	415.5	64.0	204.7	15,095.1
	May	1,961.8	1,670.0	486.1	568.9	6,076.7	3,634.6	349.2	434.9	70.2	216.5	15,469.0
	Jun	2,010.7	1,698.8	494.3	580.6	6,128.5	3,707.2	360.3	441.2	72.7	229.5	15,723.9
	Jul	2,023.0	1,718.7	494.2	576.9	6,154.5	3,724.1	364.2	442.5	72.3	240.7	15,810.9
	Aug	2,035.3	1,716.6	496.4	574.3	6,223.7	3,682.1	367.8	447.3	74.0	232.8	15,850.2
	Sep	2,020.6	1,680.4	493.7	573.5	6,122.3	3,636.5	359.6	434.1	71.7	221.0	15,613.4
	Oct	2,002.5	1,681.6	492.2	571.4	6,157.2	3,636.3	354.3	434.6	69.0	214.3	15,613.3
	Nov	1,987.9	1,698.0	489.0	567.9	6,175.3	3,606.0	348.8	432.2	65.1	210.2	15,580.4
	Dec	1,977.0	1,700.6	484.2	569.0	6,153.7	3,618.7	341.9	431.6	64.0	208.1	15,548.8
2003	Jan	1,944.5	1,667.5	475.5	555.4	6,080.7	3,534.3	329.7	417.7	61.4	199.6	15,266.3
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Average:												
Jan-Jan02		1,899.6	1,627.3	458.7	553.7	5,863.3	3,407.5	321.4	410.0	59.7	195.5	14,796.7
Jan-Jan03		1,944.5	1,667.5	475.5	555.4	6,080.7	3,534.3	329.7	417.7	61.4	199.6	15,266.3
% Change		2.4	2.5	3.7	0.3	3.7	3.7	2.6	1.9	2.8	2.1	3.2

		BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2002	Jan	1,942.4	1,655.0	471.1	565.5	5,980.6	3,520.0	341.0	426.1	65.7	213.2	15,180.5
	Feb	1,933.7	1,644.9	476.6	560.4	5,996.9	3,531.6	342.1	423.2	66.1	212.5	15,187.9
	Mar	1,945.3	1,654.2	475.6	567.1	6,014.0	3,557.9	346.8	425.5	66.3	215.5	15,268.1
	Apr	1,957.2	1,652.7	474.0	563.1	6,014.1	3,584.6	346.6	427.4	68.1	217.4	15,305.0
	May	1,944.8	1,657.5	480.0	564.0	6,030.6	3,604.1	345.9	430.7	66.6	214.4	15,338.4
	Jun	1,974.1	1,667.9	482.3	568.5	6,039.1	3,611.3	344.6	428.7	66.7	218.0	15,401.2
	Jul	1,987.8	1,691.2	480.1	568.6	6,051.9	3,600.4	343.5	424.7	66.4	216.2	15,430.8
	Aug	2,001.6	1,690.8	482.3	566.8	6,093.7	3,594.8	343.9	429.9	67.4	216.1	15,487.3
	Sep	2,001.3	1,676.3	487.4	568.4	6,124.3	3,606.0	348.8	429.6	68.3	213.1	15,523.6
	Oct	1,997.9	1,684.7	490.2	569.5	6,142.1	3,619.2	347.4	429.5	67.6	211.3	15,559.4
	Nov	1,997.2	1,700.9	491.9	570.2	6,156.2	3,627.9	349.7	431.5	67.7	209.1	15,602.4
	Dec	1,994.6	1,707.5	491.7	572.1	6,166.0	3,654.1	350.0	432.3	67.9	213.5	15,649.7
2003	Jan	1,990.3	1,695.4	488.2	567.3	6,191.5	3,646.8	349.4	434.3	67.6	217.0	15,647.6
Average:												
Jan-Jan02		1,942.4	1,655.0	471.1	565.5	5,980.6	3,520.0	341.0	426.1	65.7	213.2	15,180.5
Jan-Jan03		1,990.3	1,695.4	488.2	567.3	6,191.5	3,646.8	349.4	434.3	67.6	217.0	15,647.6
% Change		2.5	2.4	3.6	0.3	3.5	3.6	2.5	1.9	2.9	1.8	3.1

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

3b Employment Growth by Province (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1993	3.4	0.8	0.5	0.9	0.5	-0.1	1.5	-0.7	1.7	-0.8	0.8
1994	4.7	2.8	1.1	0.6	1.3	2.0	-0.4	1.5	1.8	0.2	2.0
1995	2.2	2.8	0.8	1.9	1.8	1.5	3.2	1.0	3.4	1.1	1.9
1996	1.6	2.9	-0.4	-0.1	1.0	-0.1	-1.2	0.3	2.8	-3.8	0.8
1997	2.6	3.5	2.7	1.3	2.6	1.6	1.5	1.6	0.5	1.2	2.3
1998	0.1	3.9	1.3	1.9	3.3	2.7	2.3	3.8	2.0	2.6	2.7
1999	1.9	2.5	0.8	1.3	3.6	2.3	3.3	2.4	1.5	5.5	2.8
2000	2.2	2.2	1.0	2.2	3.2	2.4	1.8	2.7	5.2	-0.1	2.6
2001	-0.3	2.8	-2.6	0.6	1.5	1.1	0.0	0.9	2.2	3.3	1.1
2002	1.6	2.6	2.0	1.6	1.8	3.4	3.3	1.2	1.8	1.2	2.2
2002 Jan	-0.1	2.3	-2.4	1.6	0.2	1.7	0.2	2.3	1.0	2.4	0.8
Feb	-1.2	1.2	0.2	0.8	1.0	1.9	2.7	-0.1	0.3	1.9	0.9
Mar	-1.4	2.6	-0.2	2.1	1.1	2.9	5.6	1.4	0.7	3.0	1.5
Apr	0.1	1.5	-0.2	1.4	0.7	3.7	4.2	1.8	5.4	3.2	1.5
May	-1.2	1.3	2.3	1.3	0.8	4.4	3.8	3.1	1.6	0.1	1.6
Jun	1.3	1.7	2.7	2.6	1.1	4.5	2.9	1.8	0.1	1.3	2.2
Jul	2.1	3.6	1.5	2.5	1.3	3.8	3.2	-0.5	0.1	3.2	2.3
Aug	3.7	3.6	1.2	2.1	2.3	3.3	3.1	1.5	2.6	1.9	2.8
Sep	3.9	2.3	4.1	1.7	2.9	3.1	4.1	1.0	3.9	0.6	2.9
Oct	4.1	2.6	4.7	1.1	3.2	3.2	3.0	0.0	2.4	-1.2	3.1
Nov	3.8	3.7	5.3	1.0	3.3	3.6	3.9	0.8	1.6	-1.1	3.3
Dec	4.1	4.2	5.4	1.4	3.3	4.8	3.7	1.5	2.6	-0.3	3.7
2003 Jan	2.4	2.5	3.7	0.3	3.7	3.7	2.6	1.9	2.8	2.1	3.2
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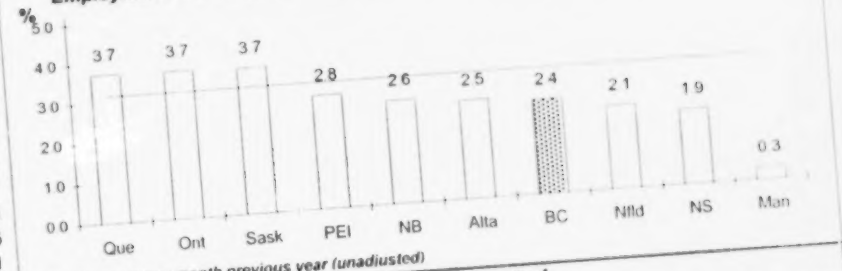
Employment Growth*(%), January 2003

Line represents Canada at 3.2%



* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

Seasonally Adjusted

BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1.3	0.9	1.0	0.2	0.2	0.9	1.2	0.0	-0.8	-0.5	0.6
-0.4	-0.6	1.2	-0.9	0.3	0.3	0.3	-0.7	0.6	-0.3	0.0
0.6	0.6	-0.2	1.2	0.3	0.7	1.4	0.5	0.3	1.4	0.5
0.6	-0.1	-0.3	-0.7	0.0	0.8	-0.1	0.4	2.7	0.9	0.2
-0.6	0.3	1.3	0.2	0.3	0.5	-0.2	0.8	-2.2	-1.4	0.2
1.5	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.1	0.2	-0.4	-0.5	0.2	1.7	0.4
0.7	1.4	-0.5	0.0	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.9	-0.4	-0.8	0.2
0.7	0.0	0.5	-0.3	0.7	-0.2	0.1	1.2	1.5	0.0	0.4
0.0	-0.9	1.1	0.3	0.5	0.3	1.4	-0.1	1.3	-1.4	0.2
-0.2	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.4	-0.4	0.0	-1.0	-0.8	0.2
0.0	1.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.5	0.1	-1.0	0.3
-0.1	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.3	2.1	0.3
-0.2	-0.7	-0.7	-0.8	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.5	-0.4	1.6	0.0

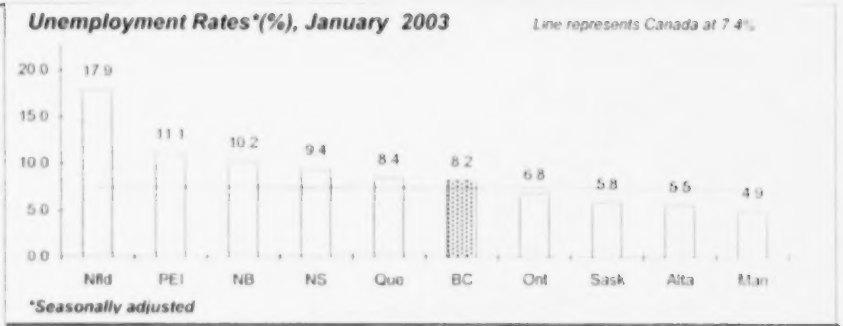
Note: growth rates for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, growth rates are calculated as month over previous month.

Source: Statistics Canada

Produced by: BC STATS

4a Provincial Unemployment Rates (%)

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1993	9.7	9.6	8.2	9.3	10.9	13.3	12.5	14.3	17.6	20.4	11.4
1994	9.0	8.7	6.8	8.6	9.6	12.3	12.4	13.5	17.2	20.2	10.4
1995	8.4	7.8	6.6	7.2	8.7	11.4	11.2	12.1	15.0	18.1	9.4
1996	8.7	6.9	6.6	7.2	9.0	11.9	11.6	12.3	14.7	19.3	9.6
1997	8.4	5.8	5.9	6.5	8.4	11.4	12.7	12.1	15.4	18.6	9.1
1998	8.8	5.6	5.7	5.5	7.2	10.3	12.2	10.5	13.8	18.0	8.3
1999	8.3	5.7	6.1	5.6	6.3	9.3	10.2	9.6	14.4	16.9	7.6
2000	7.2	5.0	5.2	4.9	5.7	8.4	10.0	9.1	12.0	16.7	6.8
2001	7.7	4.6	5.8	5.0	6.3	8.7	11.2	9.7	11.9	16.1	7.2
2002	8.5	5.3	5.7	5.2	7.1	8.6	10.4	9.7	12.1	16.9	7.7



	Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2002 Jan	9.6	5.2	6.5	5.6	7.8	10.3	12.8	10.9	17.8	19.3	8.6	8.8	4.8	5.9	5.1	7.4	9.0	11.3	9.8	12.9	17.1	7.9
Feb	9.3	5.3	6.1	6.3	7.4	10.1	13.1	11.3	17.8	19.2	8.4	8.7	5.1	5.7	5.8	6.9	9.2	11.0	10.3	14.2	17.4	7.8
Mar	9.3	5.2	6.2	5.5	7.6	9.5	12.4	11.0	15.2	18.7	8.3	9.0	4.9	5.7	5.0	7.1	8.8	10.3	9.7	12.4	16.6	7.7
Apr	9.0	5.7	6.6	5.9	7.0	9.2	12.4	11.0	14.7	17.7	8.0	8.7	5.2	5.9	5.4	7.1	8.6	10.1	9.8	11.3	15.5	7.6
May	9.3	6.0	6.2	4.9	7.2	8.3	10.5	10.0	9.8	18.5	7.8	9.5	5.9	5.8	5.3	7.0	8.3	9.8	9.7	11.4	16.8	7.7
Jun	8.2	5.1	4.9	4.3	6.7	7.7	8.7	8.5	8.1	15.5	7.1	8.7	5.5	5.3	4.9	7.1	8.2	9.6	9.3	12.1	15.9	7.5
Jul	8.3	5.5	5.7	5.3	7.6	8.3	9.5	9.8	10.5	13.8	7.7	8.2	5.3	5.3	5.2	7.1	8.6	10.5	9.8	12.3	15.2	7.6
Aug	7.9	5.5	5.9	5.7	7.6	8.4	9.4	9.2	9.4	14.9	7.7	7.7	5.2	5.4	5.2	7.1	8.6	10.4	9.7	12.4	16.1	7.5
Sep	7.5	5.2	4.7	4.1	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.9	8.7	14.6	7.0	8.2	5.8	5.5	4.9	7.3	8.4	10.2	9.8	11.7	17.2	7.7
Oct	7.7	5.4	5.0	4.8	6.6	7.4	8.8	8.2	9.3	16.2	6.9	8.3	5.7	5.8	5.4	7.1	8.1	10.8	9.4	11.6	18.2	7.6
Nov	8.5	5.0	5.3	5.1	6.2	8.4	9.6	8.9	12.4	17.1	7.1	8.5	5.2	5.9	5.3	6.7	8.6	10.3	9.5	11.4	18.5	7.5
Dec	8.1	4.6	5.3	4.6	6.5	8.2	10.2	8.6	13.2	17.9	7.1	8.4	4.9	5.6	4.9	7.0	8.5	10.3	9.4	10.9	18.5	7.5
2003 Jan	9.0	6.0	6.5	5.4	7.1	9.4	11.5	10.3	15.4	20.2	8.1	8.2	5.5	5.8	4.9	6.8	8.4	10.2	9.4	11.1	17.9	7.4
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Jan-Jan02	9.6	5.2	6.5	5.6	7.8	10.3	12.8	10.9	17.8	19.3	8.6	8.8	4.8	5.9	5.1	7.4	9.0	11.3	9.8	12.9	17.1	7.9
Jan-Jan03	9.0	6.0	6.5	5.4	7.1	9.4	11.5	10.3	15.4	20.2	8.1	8.2	5.5	5.8	4.9	6.8	8.4	10.2	9.4	11.1	17.9	7.4

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

4b Provincial Employment Rates (%)

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1993	60.2	64.9	61.2	60.8	59.5	54.0	51.7	51.6	53.9	42.7	58.0
1994	61.2	65.8	61.7	61.1	59.6	54.6	51.3	52.1	54.1	42.8	58.4
1995	60.7	66.7	61.8	62.0	59.9	55.0	52.7	52.4	55.3	43.5	58.8
1996	60.0	67.3	61.0	61.7	59.7	54.6	51.8	52.2	56.2	42.1	58.5
1997	60.1	67.9	62.3	62.3	60.2	55.0	52.3	52.6	55.9	42.8	59.0
1998	59.2	68.5	62.7	63.3	61.2	56.1	53.3	54.3	56.6	44.2	59.7
1999	59.7	68.4	62.9	63.7	62.4	57.0	54.8	55.2	56.8	46.7	60.6
2000	60.2	68.6	63.5	64.6	63.3	57.9	55.4	56.1	58.9	46.5	61.4
2001	59.2	69.0	62.0	64.7	63.1	58.1	55.2	56.3	59.6	48.1	61.2
2002	59.4	69.1	63.5	65.6	63.0	59.5	56.9	56.7	60.0	48.7	61.8
2002 Jan	57.5	67.9	60.3	64.1	61.4	56.7	53.0	54.4	53.7	44.5	59.7
Feb	57.6	67.6	61.1	63.8	61.6	57.2	53.0	53.9	54.4	44.3	59.9
Mar	58.0	68.2	61.3	64.8	61.8	57.9	53.9	54.4	55.2	45.2	60.3
Apr	58.4	67.7	61.1	64.5	62.1	58.7	54.6	55.1	57.4	46.6	60.7
May	59.1	69.2	64.0	65.8	63.3	60.3	57.5	57.6	62.9	49.3	62.1
Jun	60.5	70.2	65.1	67.2	63.7	61.5	59.3	58.4	65.1	52.3	63.1
Jul	60.8	70.9	65.1	66.7	63.9	61.7	59.9	58.5	64.6	54.9	63.3
Aug	61.1	70.7	65.4	66.4	64.5	61.0	60.5	59.1	66.1	53.0	63.4
Sep	60.6	69.1	65.1	66.3	63.3	60.2	59.1	57.3	64.0	50.4	62.4
Oct	60.0	69.0	64.9	66.1	63.6	60.1	58.2	57.4	61.4	48.8	62.3
Nov	59.5	69.6	64.5	65.7	63.7	59.6	57.3	57.1	57.9	47.9	62.2
Dec	59.1	69.6	63.9	65.8	63.4	59.8	56.2	57.0	56.9	47.4	62.0
2003 Jan	58.1	68.1	62.8	64.2	62.6	58.3	54.2	55.1	54.5	45.5	60.8
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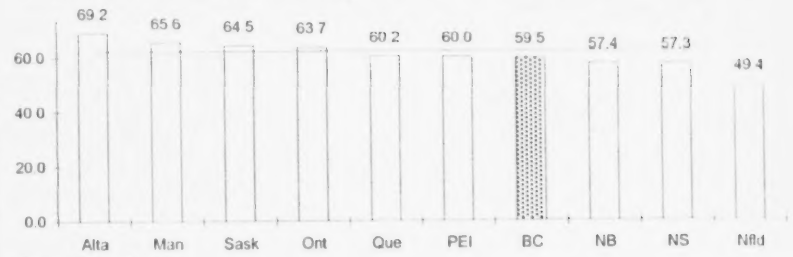
Jan-Jan02	57.5	67.9	60.3	64.1	61.4	56.7	53.0	54.4	53.7	44.5	59.7
Jan-Jan03	58.1	68.1	62.8	64.2	62.6	58.3	54.2	55.1	54.5	45.5	60.8

Employment Rates*(%), January 2003

Line represents Canada at 62.3%



**Seasonally adjusted*

	Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2002 Jan	58.8	69.1	62.0	65.5	62.6	58.6	56.2	56.5	59.1	48.5	61.2
Feb	58.5	68.5	62.7	64.9	62.7	58.7	56.4	56.1	59.3	48.4	61.2
Mar	58.8	68.8	62.6	65.6	62.8	59.1	57.2	56.4	59.5	49.0	61.5
Apr	59.0	68.6	62.4	65.2	62.7	59.5	57.1	56.7	61.1	49.5	61.5
May	58.6	68.7	63.2	65.3	62.8	59.8	57.0	57.1	59.7	48.8	61.6
Jun	59.4	69.0	63.5	65.8	62.8	59.9	56.8	56.8	59.7	49.7	61.8
Jul	59.7	69.8	63.2	65.7	62.8	59.6	56.5	56.2	59.3	49.3	61.8
Aug	60.1	69.7	63.6	65.5	63.1	59.5	56.5	56.8	60.2	49.2	62.0
Sep	60.0	68.9	64.3	65.7	63.3	59.7	57.3	56.8	60.9	48.6	62.0
Oct	59.8	69.1	64.7	65.8	63.4	59.8	57.1	56.7	60.2	48.2	62.1
Nov	59.8	69.7	64.9	65.9	63.5	59.9	57.5	57.0	60.2	47.6	62.2
Dec	59.7	69.8	64.9	66.1	63.5	60.3	57.5	57.1	60.4	48.6	62.4
2003 Jan	59.5	69.2	64.5	65.6	63.7	60.2	57.4	57.3	60.0	49.4	62.3
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Jan-Jan02	58.8	69.1	62.0	65.5	62.6	58.6	56.2	56.5	59.1	48.5	61.2
Jan-Jan03	59.5	69.2	64.5	65.6	63.7	60.2	57.4	57.3	60.0	49.4	62.3

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

5a BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1993	146.6	498.8	263.9	922.4	26.8	50.8	23.8	102.1	133.2	418.0	194.0	753.5	18.1	40.7	18.3	77.6	279.9	916.8	457.9	1,675.9	45.0	91.6	42.1	179.7
1994	145.2	511.2	281.2	957.1	30.3	50.0	23.3	104.2	135.8	434.1	217.2	797.0	17.5	38.4	13.7	69.9	280.9	945.3	498.4	1,754.0	47.7	88.4	37.0	174.1
1995	143.9	525.2	297.3	980.3	27.1	48.3	18.8	94.9	136.4	438.7	229.3	812.0	18.8	36.1	15.2	70.4	280.3	963.9	526.5	1,792.3	45.9	84.4	34.0	165.3
1996	139.8	536.8	306.9	999.4	26.2	48.9	20.7	96.7	133.0	451.0	230.8	821.7	18.8	41.0	16.4	76.7	272.9	987.8	537.8	1,821.2	45.0	89.9	37.1	173.4
1997	138.3	540.2	319.4	1,013.0	27.7	47.8	20.5	96.9	133.5	464.1	249.4	856.0	20.8	36.2	17.0	74.4	271.8	1,004.3	568.9	1,869.0	48.6	84.0	37.5	171.3
1998	133.0	531.0	317.7	1,001.0	31.5	51.6	24.3	108.4	127.9	463.6	267.2	869.2	23.0	35.4	14.0	72.6	260.9	994.6	584.9	1,870.2	54.5	87.0	38.2	181.0
1999	138.3	526.1	335.9	1,019.1	26.5	49.6	23.2	100.4	136.5	462.3	279.7	887.3	19.4	36.4	16.3	72.3	274.8	988.4	615.6	1,906.4	45.8	86.1	39.5	172.8
2000	141.2	529.8	353.2	1,041.6	25.5	38.1	21.1	85.1	139.7	461.2	298.5	907.5	18.8	31.3	15.2	65.6	280.9	991.0	651.7	1,949.1	44.3	69.4	36.3	150.6
2001	140.9	517.9	358.3	1,032.6	26.7	44.8	23.0	95.5	140.6	456.4	303.7	909.8	17.6	32.5	15.0	65.7	281.5	974.3	662.0	1,942.4	44.3	77.3	38.0	161.1
2002	144.9	509.9	370.1	1,045.9	29.1	47.3	27.5	105.0	144.5	455.4	317.1	927.5	21.5	38.4	18.8	79.4	289.4	965.3	687.2	1,973.4	50.6	85.7	46.3	184.4
2002 Jan	133.6	497.3	354.3	1,002.6	28.1	61.1	32.3	123.9	133.2	452.7	300.3	897.0	18.8	37.5	20.6	78.1	266.8	950.1	654.6	1,899.6	46.9	98.6	52.9	201.9
Feb	132.8	497.7	360.1	1,009.1	30.9	62.5	25.7	121.0	134.0	447.2	304.4	894.6	14.6	37.4	20.5	73.2	266.8	944.9	664.4	1,903.7	45.5	99.9	46.2	194.2
Mar	133.6	501.0	363.4	1,016.1	32.0	57.2	32.4	123.4	134.2	450.3	305.3	904.5	17.3	35.5	19.6	73.3	267.8	951.3	668.7	1,920.6	49.4	92.7	52.0	196.8
Apr	139.5	498.7	364.1	1,023.8	26.6	57.6	29.4	114.9	136.3	453.7	311.7	914.3	18.4	39.7	16.3	76.2	275.8	952.4	675.9	1,938.1	44.9	97.3	45.7	191.0
May	144.7	501.6	366.9	1,036.8	31.4	54.3	34.2	120.5	139.6	461.9	311.5	925.0	23.6	37.6	19.1	80.8	284.2	963.5	678.4	1,961.8	55.0	91.9	53.3	201.2
Jun	155.9	513.8	369.5	1,063.1	25.8	44.9	27.4	99.1	149.5	467.9	321.0	947.7	28.5	32.4	19.3	80.3	305.4	981.8	690.4	2,010.7	54.2	77.3	46.7	179.4
Jul	166.6	523.1	373.9	1,083.2	33.2	38.7	25.2	97.3	158.9	453.3	318.9	939.7	27.3	38.1	18.8	84.8	325.5	976.4	692.8	2,023.0	60.5	76.8	44.0	182.1
Aug	170.0	522.3	377.7	1,091.7	27.5	40.1	20.1	89.0	165.8	446.3	320.6	943.6	25.9	40.1	20.8	86.7	335.8	968.7	698.3	2,035.3	53.4	80.1	40.9	175.7
Sep	149.3	524.2	377.0	1,074.6	24.2	34.9	22.1	81.6	147.3	460.1	328.4	946.0	21.5	43.7	16.4	82.0	296.6	984.3	705.5	2,020.6	45.7	78.6	38.5	163.6
Oct	140.6	519.8	383.5	1,064.6	24.8	38.9	22.8	86.7	141.0	460.5	327.6	937.9	25.3	37.8	17.8	81.3	281.6	980.3	711.1	2,002.5	50.1	76.7	40.5	168.1
Nov	134.5	514.6	380.7	1,051.2	33.5	36.8	28.2	100.0	145.2	455.1	326.8	936.7	21.7	43.3	18.0	83.5	279.7	969.7	707.5	1,987.9	55.2	80.1	46.2	183.6
Dec	137.8	504.5	370.3	1,033.8	31.2	40.3	30.1	102.8	148.8	455.6	328.6	943.2	15.0	37.9	19.0	72.2	286.7	960.1	698.8	1,977.0	46.2	78.2	49.1	174.9
2003 Jan	133.5	502.3	367.8	1,027.3	32.8	40.0	29.3	102.5	138.2	442.2	326.5	917.1	21.1	47.4	19.8	89.0	271.7	944.5	694.4	1,944.5	54.0	87.3	49.1	191.6
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Jan-Jan02	133.6	497.3	354.3	1,002.6	28.1	61.1	32.3	123.9	133.2	452.7	300.3	897.0	18.8	37.5	20.6	78.1	266.8	950.1	654.6	1,899.6	46.9	98.6	52.9	201.9
Jan-Jan03	133.5	502.3	367.8	1,027.3	32.8	40.0	29.3	102.5	138.2	442.2	326.5	917.1	21.1	47.4	19.8	89.0	271.7	944.5	694.4	1,944.5	54.0	87.3	49.1	191.6
% Change	-0.1	1.0	3.8	2.5	16.7	-34.5	-9.3	-17.3	3.8	-2.3	8.7	2.2	12.2	26.4	-3.9	14.0	1.8	-0.6	6.1	2.4	15.1	-11.5	-7.2	-5.1

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

5b BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1993	72.4	93.7	79.2	74.6	15.4	9.2	8.3	10.0	65.5	78.0	59.8	59.0	12.0	8.9	8.6	9.3	69.0	85.9	69.6	66.7	13.9	9.1	8.4	9.7
1994	71.7	93.1	80.2	74.9	17.3	8.9	7.7	9.8	65.5	78.5	61.8	59.8	11.4	8.1	5.9	8.1	68.7	85.8	71.1	67.2	14.5	8.6	6.9	9.0
1995	68.7	92.7	79.8	73.7	15.9	8.4	5.9	8.8	65.3	77.2	62.3	59.1	12.1	7.6	6.2	8.0	67.0	85.0	71.1	66.3	14.1	8.1	6.1	8.4
1996	65.3	92.3	79.4	72.9	15.8	8.3	6.3	8.8	62.6	78.2	60.3	58.6	12.4	8.3	6.6	8.5	64.0	85.3	69.9	65.7	14.2	8.3	6.5	8.7
1997	63.6	91.8	79.4	72.2	16.7	8.1	6.0	8.7	61.4	78.4	62.4	59.1	13.5	7.2	6.4	8.0	62.6	85.1	70.9	65.6	15.2	7.7	6.2	8.4
1998	62.4	91.4	77.0	71.2	19.1	8.9	7.1	9.8	59.4	78.1	63.3	58.8	15.2	7.1	5.0	7.7	60.9	84.7	70.2	64.9	17.3	8.0	6.1	8.8
1999	62.1	91.3	78.1	71.2	16.1	8.6	6.5	9.0	60.9	78.7	64.1	59.2	12.4	7.3	5.5	7.5	61.5	85.0	71.1	65.1	14.3	8.0	6.0	8.3
2000	62.1	90.7	78.6	70.7	15.3	6.7	5.6	7.6	61.1	78.2	65.3	59.2	11.9	6.4	4.8	6.7	61.6	84.4	71.9	64.9	13.6	6.5	5.3	7.2
2001	61.6	90.5	77.4	69.9	15.9	8.0	6.0	8.5	60.2	77.8	63.9	58.5	11.1	6.6	4.7	6.7	60.9	84.1	70.6	64.1	13.6	7.4	5.4	7.7
2002	63.2	90.3	77.9	70.5	16.7	8.5	6.9	9.1	62.2	79.0	64.9	59.5	13.0	7.8	5.6	7.9	62.7	84.6	71.4	64.9	14.9	8.2	6.3	8.5
2002 Jan	59.1	90.2	77.0	69.4	17.4	10.9	8.4	11.0	57.4	78.3	63.1	58.0	12.4	7.6	6.4	8.0	58.2	84.2	70.0	63.6	15.0	9.4	7.5	9.6
Feb	59.8	90.6	76.6	69.5	18.9	11.2	6.7	10.7	56.0	77.4	63.7	57.5	9.8	7.7	6.3	7.6	57.9	83.9	70.1	63.4	14.6	9.6	6.5	9.3
Mar	60.4	90.3	78.4	70.0	19.3	10.2	8.2	10.8	57.1	77.6	63.5	58.1	11.4	7.3	6.0	7.5	58.8	83.9	70.9	63.9	15.6	8.9	7.2	9.3
Apr	60.5	90.0	77.6	69.9	16.0	10.4	7.5	10.1	58.1	78.8	63.9	58.7	11.9	8.0	5.0	7.7	59.3	84.3	70.7	64.2	14.0	9.3	6.3	9.0
May	64.1	89.9	78.9	71.0	17.8	9.8	8.5	10.4	61.2	79.8	64.2	59.6	14.5	7.5	5.8	8.0	62.7	84.9	71.5	65.2	16.2	8.7	7.3	9.3
Jun	66.0	90.5	77.9	71.2	14.2	8.0	6.9	8.5	66.7	80.0	65.9	60.8	16.0	6.5	5.7	7.8	66.4	85.2	71.8	65.9	15.1	7.3	6.3	8.2
Jul	72.6	91.0	78.1	72.2	16.6	6.9	6.3	8.2	69.7	78.6	65.1	60.5	14.7	7.8	5.6	8.3	71.2	84.8	71.5	66.3	15.7	7.3	6.0	8.3
Aug	71.7	91.2	77.6	72.1	13.9	7.1	5.1	7.5	71.7	77.9	65.6	60.8	13.5	8.2	6.1	8.4	71.7	84.5	71.6	66.4	13.7	7.6	5.5	7.9
Sep	62.9	90.8	77.6	70.6	13.9	6.2	5.5	7.1	63.0	80.8	66.1	60.6	12.7	8.7	4.8	8.0	62.9	85.7	71.8	65.5	13.4	7.4	5.2	7.5
Oct	59.9	90.8	78.8	70.2	15.0	7.0	5.6	7.5	62.0	79.9	66.0	60.0	15.2	7.6	5.2	8.0	61.0	85.3	72.4	65.0	15.1	7.3	5.4	7.7
Nov	60.8	89.7	79.1	70.2	19.9	6.7	6.9	8.7	62.2	80.1	65.8	60.0	13.0	8.7	5.2	8.2	61.5	84.9	72.4	65.0	16.5	7.6	6.1	8.5
Dec	61.1	88.8	77.3	69.2	18.5	7.4	7.5	9.0	61.1	79.4	66.1	59.7	9.2	7.7	5.5	7.1	61.1	84.0	71.6	64.4	13.9	7.5	6.6	8.1
2003 Jan	60.1	88.6	76.4	68.8	19.7	7.4	7.4	9.1	59.3	78.8	65.6	59.1	13.2	9.7	5.7	8.8	59.7	83.7	71.0	63.8	16.6	8.5	6.6	9.0
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Jan-Jan02	59.1	90.2	77.0	69.4	17.4	10.9	8.4	11.0	57.4	78.3	63.1	58.0	12.4	7.6	6.4	8.0	58.2	84.2	70.0	63.6	15.0	9.4	7.5	9.6
Jan-Jan03	60.1	88.6	76.4	68.8	19.7	7.4	7.4	9.1	59.3	78.8	65.6	59.1	13.2	9.7	5.7	8.8	59.7	83.7	71.0	63.8	16.6	8.5	6.6	9.0

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

5c BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men						Women						Total					
	Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1993	146.6	775.8	922.4	26.8	75.2	102.1	133.2	620.2	753.5	18.1	59.5	77.6	279.9	1,396.0	1,675.9	45.0	134.7	179.7
1994	145.2	811.9	957.1	30.3	73.9	104.2	135.8	661.2	797.0	17.5	52.4	69.9	280.9	1,473.1	1,754.0	47.7	126.3	174.1
1995	143.9	836.4	980.3	27.1	67.8	94.9	136.4	675.6	812.0	18.8	51.6	70.4	280.3	1,512.0	1,792.3	45.9	119.4	165.3
1996	139.8	859.6	999.4	26.2	70.5	96.7	133.0	688.7	821.7	18.8	57.8	76.7	272.9	1,548.3	1,821.2	45.0	128.3	173.4
1997	138.3	874.7	1,013.0	27.7	69.2	96.9	133.5	722.5	856.0	20.8	53.6	74.4	271.8	1,597.2	1,869.0	48.6	122.8	171.3
1998	133.0	868.0	1,001.0	31.5	76.9	108.4	127.9	741.3	869.2	23.0	49.6	72.6	260.9	1,609.3	1,870.2	54.5	126.4	181.0
1999	138.3	880.8	1,019.1	26.5	73.9	100.4	136.5	750.7	887.3	19.4	53.0	72.3	274.8	1,631.6	1,906.4	45.8	126.9	172.8
2000	141.2	900.4	1,041.6	25.5	59.6	85.1	139.7	767.8	907.5	18.8	46.7	65.6	280.9	1,668.2	1,949.1	44.3	106.3	150.6
2001	140.9	891.7	1,032.6	26.7	68.8	95.5	140.6	769.2	909.8	17.6	48.0	65.7	281.5	1,660.8	1,942.4	44.3	116.8	161.1
2002	144.9	901.0	1,045.9	29.1	75.9	105.0	144.5	783.0	927.5	21.5	57.9	79.4	289.4	1,684.0	1,973.4	50.6	133.8	184.4
2002 Jan	143.1	887.3	1,030.4	29.6	82.9	112.5	138.9	773.1	912.0	19.5	55.7	75.2	281.9	1,660.5	1,942.4	49.1	138.6	187.7
Feb	142.2	884.8	1,027.1	28.7	84.4	113.1	139.1	767.6	906.7	16.8	55.0	71.8	281.3	1,652.4	1,933.7	45.5	139.4	184.9
Mar	143.4	891.5	1,034.9	30.2	83.2	113.4	139.3	771.1	910.4	19.9	58.5	78.4	282.6	1,662.7	1,945.3	50.1	141.7	191.8
Apr	144.7	895.4	1,040.1	26.1	82.0	108.2	141.3	775.8	917.1	19.5	58.3	77.8	286.0	1,671.2	1,957.2	45.7	140.3	186.0
May	138.2	890.3	1,028.5	29.1	89.6	118.7	136.5	779.8	916.2	23.5	61.3	84.9	274.7	1,670.1	1,944.8	52.6	151.0	203.6
Jun	144.7	900.5	1,045.1	28.1	73.7	101.8	144.8	784.2	929.0	26.8	58.7	85.5	289.4	1,684.7	1,974.1	54.9	132.5	187.4
Jul	143.8	908.4	1,052.2	31.1	68.6	99.8	147.3	788.3	935.7	21.2	55.8	76.9	291.2	1,696.7	1,987.8	52.3	124.4	176.7
Aug	149.8	909.6	1,059.4	26.9	64.4	91.3	153.2	789.0	942.2	22.4	52.4	74.8	303.1	1,698.5	2,001.6	49.3	116.8	166.1
Sep	150.8	912.8	1,063.5	27.4	68.0	95.4	148.6	789.1	937.8	20.1	62.5	82.7	299.4	1,701.9	2,001.3	47.5	130.5	178.1
Oct	146.7	914.5	1,061.3	27.6	69.6	97.3	144.7	791.9	936.6	24.8	59.4	84.2	291.5	1,706.4	1,997.9	52.4	129.0	181.5
Nov	144.1	911.6	1,055.7	31.2	71.8	103.0	149.1	792.5	941.6	22.8	60.1	82.9	293.2	1,704.1	1,997.2	54.0	131.9	185.9
Dec	146.0	904.4	1,050.4	32.6	72.2	104.7	150.2	794.0	944.2	19.8	57.8	77.6	296.2	1,698.4	1,994.6	52.4	129.9	182.3
2003 Jan	143.8	911.3	1,055.1	33.7	58.7	92.5	145.1	790.1	935.2	21.6	63.0	84.6	288.9	1,701.4	1,990.3	55.4	121.7	177.0
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Average:																		
Jan-Jan02	143.1	887.3	1,030.4	29.6	82.9	112.5	138.9	773.1	912.0	19.5	55.7	75.2	281.9	1,660.5	1,942.4	49.1	138.6	187.7
Jan-Jan03	143.8	911.3	1,055.1	33.7	58.7	92.5	145.1	790.1	935.2	21.6	63.0	84.6	288.9	1,701.4	1,990.3	55.4	121.7	177.0
% Change	0.5	2.7	2.4	13.9	-29.2	-17.8	4.5	2.2	2.5	10.8	13.1	12.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	12.8	-12.2	-5.7

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

5d BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men									Women									Total								
	Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1993	72.4	75.0	74.6	15.4	8.8	10.0	61.2	68.4	67.1	65.5	57.7	59.0	12.0	8.8	9.3	57.7	52.7	53.5	69.0	66.2	66.7	13.9	8.8	9.7	59.5	60.4	60.2
1994	71.7	75.5	74.9	17.3	8.3	9.8	59.4	69.2	67.5	65.5	58.7	59.8	11.4	7.3	8.1	58.1	54.4	55.0	68.7	67.0	67.2	14.5	7.9	9.0	58.7	61.7	61.2
1995	68.7	74.7	73.7	15.9	7.5	8.8	57.8	69.1	67.2	65.3	58.0	59.1	12.1	7.1	8.0	57.4	53.9	54.4	67.0	66.2	66.3	14.1	7.3	8.4	57.6	61.3	60.7
1996	65.3	74.5	72.9	15.8	7.6	8.8	55.0	68.8	66.5	62.6	57.8	58.6	12.4	7.7	8.5	54.8	53.3	53.6	64.0	66.0	65.7	14.2	7.7	8.7	54.9	61.0	60.0
1997	63.6	73.9	72.2	16.7	7.3	8.7	53.0	68.5	65.9	61.4	58.6	59.1	13.5	6.9	8.0	53.2	54.6	54.4	62.6	66.1	65.6	15.2	7.1	8.4	53.1	61.4	60.1
1998	62.4	73.0	71.2	19.1	8.1	9.8	50.5	67.0	64.2	59.4	58.7	58.8	15.2	6.3	7.7	50.4	55.1	54.3	60.9	65.7	64.9	17.3	7.3	8.8	50.4	60.9	59.2
1999	62.1	73.0	71.2	16.1	7.7	9.0	52.1	67.3	64.8	60.9	58.9	59.2	12.4	6.6	7.5	53.3	55.1	54.8	61.5	65.8	65.1	14.3	7.2	8.3	52.7	61.1	59.7
2000	62.1	72.5	70.7	15.3	6.2	7.6	52.6	68.0	65.4	61.1	58.9	59.2	11.9	5.7	6.7	53.9	55.5	55.2	61.6	65.5	64.9	13.6	6.0	7.2	53.2	61.6	60.2
2001	61.6	71.6	69.9	15.9	7.2	8.5	51.8	66.5	64.0	60.2	58.2	58.5	11.1	5.9	6.7	53.4	54.8	54.6	60.9	64.8	64.1	13.6	6.6	7.7	52.6	60.5	59.2
2002	63.2	71.9	70.5	16.7	7.8	9.1	52.7	66.3	64.0	62.2	59.0	59.5	13.0	6.9	7.9	54.1	55.0	54.8	62.7	65.3	64.9	14.9	7.4	8.5	53.4	60.5	59.4
2002 Jan	63.1	71.9	70.4	17.1	8.5	9.8	52.3	65.7	63.5	59.8	58.6	58.8	12.3	6.7	7.6	52.4	54.6	54.3	61.5	65.1	64.5	14.8	7.7	8.8	52.3	60.1	58.8
Feb	62.4	71.7	70.2	16.8	8.7	9.9	51.9	65.5	63.2	58.7	58.1	58.2	10.8	6.7	7.3	52.4	54.2	53.9	60.6	64.7	64.1	13.9	7.8	8.7	52.2	59.7	58.5
Mar	63.3	72.1	70.6	17.4	8.5	9.9	52.3	65.9	63.6	59.9	58.5	58.7	12.5	7.1	7.9	52.4	54.4	54.1	61.7	65.1	64.5	15.1	7.9	9.0	52.4	60.0	58.8
Apr	62.2	72.1	70.5	15.3	8.4	9.4	52.7	66.1	63.8	60.4	58.7	59.0	12.1	7.0	7.8	53.1	54.6	54.4	61.3	65.3	64.6	13.8	7.7	8.7	52.9	60.2	59.0
May	60.9	72.2	70.3	17.4	9.1	10.3	50.3	65.6	63.1	60.1	59.1	59.3	14.7	7.3	8.5	51.2	54.8	54.3	60.5	65.5	64.7	16.1	8.3	9.5	50.8	60.1	58.6
Jun	62.8	71.7	70.2	16.3	7.6	8.9	52.6	66.3	64.0	64.3	59.2	60.0	15.6	7.0	8.4	54.3	55.1	54.9	63.6	65.3	65.0	15.9	7.3	8.7	53.4	60.6	59.4
Jul	63.6	71.8	70.5	17.8	7.0	8.7	52.3	66.8	64.4	63.1	59.2	59.8	12.6	6.6	7.6	55.2	55.3	55.3	63.4	65.4	65.0	15.2	6.8	8.2	53.7	60.9	59.7
Aug	64.2	71.6	70.3	15.2	6.6	7.9	54.4	66.8	64.7	65.7	58.9	60.0	12.7	6.2	7.4	57.3	55.3	55.6	65.0	65.1	65.1	14.0	6.4	7.7	55.9	60.9	60.1
Sep	64.6	72.0	70.7	15.4	6.9	8.2	54.7	67.0	64.9	63.0	59.6	60.1	11.9	7.3	8.1	55.4	55.2	55.3	63.8	65.6	65.3	13.7	7.1	8.2	55.0	61.0	60.0
Oct	63.2	72.2	70.6	15.8	7.1	8.4	53.2	67.1	64.7	63.2	59.5	60.1	14.6	7.0	8.2	54.0	55.4	55.1	63.2	65.7	65.3	15.2	7.0	8.3	53.6	61.1	59.8
Nov	63.5	72.1	70.6	17.8	7.3	8.9	52.2	66.8	64.3	64.1	59.6	60.3	13.3	7.0	8.1	55.6	55.4	55.4	63.8	65.7	65.3	15.6	7.2	8.5	53.9	60.9	59.8
Dec	64.6	71.5	70.4	18.3	7.4	9.1	52.8	66.2	64.0	63.3	59.4	60.1	11.6	6.8	7.6	56.0	55.4	55.5	64.0	65.3	65.1	15.0	7.1	8.4	54.4	60.7	59.7
2003 Jan	64.1	71.0	69.8	19.0	6.1	8.1	52.0	66.7	64.2	62.0	59.5	59.9	13.0	7.4	8.3	54.0	55.1	54.9	63.1	65.1	64.8	16.1	6.7	8.2	53.0	60.8	59.5
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Jan-Jan02	63.1	71.9	70.4	17.1	8.5	9.8	52.3	65.7	63.5	59.8	58.6	58.8	12.3	6.7	7.6	52.4	54.6	54.3	61.5	65.1	64.5	14.8	7.7	8.8	52.3	60.1	58.8
Jan-Jan03	64.1	71.0	69.8	19.0	6.1	8.1	52.0	66.7	64.2	62.0	59.5	59.9	13.0	7.4	8.3	54.0	55.1	54.9	63.1	65.1	64.8	16.1	6.7	8.2	53.0	60.8	59.5

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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Source: Statistics Canada

6 BC Employment by Full-Time/Part-Time Status

	Men				Women				Total			
	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total
1993	821.8	100.7	922.4	10.9	523.5	229.9	753.5	30.5	1,345.3	330.6	1,675.9	19.7
1994	847.2	109.8	957.1	11.5	539.9	257.1	797.0	32.3	1,387.1	366.9	1,754.0	20.9
1995	872.2	108.1	980.3	11.0	561.9	250.1	812.0	30.8	1,434.1	358.2	1,792.3	20.0
1996	890.5	108.9	999.4	10.9	562.6	259.1	821.7	31.5	1,453.2	368.0	1,821.2	20.2
1997	898.2	114.9	1,013.0	11.3	580.7	275.3	856.0	32.2	1,478.9	390.1	1,869.0	20.9
1998	875.3	125.7	1,001.0	12.6	591.3	277.9	869.2	32.0	1,466.6	403.5	1,870.2	21.6
1999	888.1	131.1	1,019.1	12.9	606.4	280.8	887.3	31.6	1,494.5	411.9	1,906.4	21.6
2000	924.1	117.4	1,041.6	11.3	622.9	284.6	907.5	31.4	1,547.0	402.1	1,949.1	20.6
2001	907.0	125.6	1,032.6	12.2	622.9	286.9	909.8	31.5	1,529.9	412.4	1,942.4	21.2
2002	899.3	146.5	1,045.9	14.0	622.1	305.4	927.5	32.9	1,521.4	452.0	1,973.4	22.9
						seasonally adjusted						
2002 Jan	890.9	139.5	1,030.4	13.5	618.7	293.3	912.0	32.2	1,509.6	432.8	1,942.4	22.3
Feb	877.5	149.6	1,027.1	14.6	611.4	295.3	906.7	32.6	1,488.9	444.8	1,933.7	23.0
Mar	883.3	151.6	1,034.9	14.6	624.2	286.2	910.4	31.4	1,507.6	437.7	1,945.3	22.5
Apr	898.7	141.4	1,040.1	13.6	619.4	297.7	917.1	32.5	1,518.1	439.1	1,957.2	22.4
May	887.6	140.9	1,028.5	13.7	623.9	292.4	916.2	31.9	1,511.5	433.3	1,944.8	22.3
Jun	902.2	142.9	1,045.1	13.7	624.8	304.2	929.0	32.7	1,527.0	447.1	1,974.1	22.6
Jul	908.0	144.2	1,052.2	13.7	626.8	308.8	935.7	33.0	1,534.8	453.0	1,987.8	22.8
Aug	915.8	143.6	1,059.4	13.6	628.7	313.5	942.2	33.3	1,544.5	457.1	2,001.6	22.8
Sep	912.4	151.1	1,063.5	14.2	631.5	306.3	937.8	32.7	1,543.9	457.4	2,001.3	22.9
Oct	907.1	154.2	1,061.3	14.5	618.7	317.9	936.6	33.9	1,525.8	472.1	1,997.9	23.6
Nov	902.3	153.4	1,055.7	14.5	627.3	314.3	941.6	33.4	1,529.6	467.7	1,997.2	23.4
Dec	903.7	146.7	1,050.4	14.0	611.0	333.2	944.2	35.3	1,514.7	479.9	1,994.6	24.1
2003 Jan	908.2	146.8	1,055.1	13.9	608.0	327.2	935.2	35.0	1,516.2	474.1	1,990.3	23.8
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Average:												
Jan-Jan02	890.9	139.5	1,030.4	13.5	618.7	293.3	912.0	32.2	1,509.6	432.8	1,942.4	22.3
Jan-Jan03	908.2	146.8	1,055.1	13.9	608.0	327.2	935.2	35.0	1,516.2	474.1	1,990.3	23.8
% Change	1.9	5.2	2.4		-1.7	11.6	2.5		0.4	9.5	2.5	

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Source: Statistics Canada

7a BC Employment by Industry

	All Industries		Total Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Other Primary		Utilities		Manufac-turing		Construc-tion	
	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg
1993	1,675.9		384.5		34.3		44.5		12.3		179.2		114.2	
1994	1,754.0	4.7	401.6	4.4	30.7	-10.5	49.0	10.1	12.6	2.4	183.7	2.5	125.6	10.0
1995	1,792.3	2.2	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	54.9	12.0	11	-12.7	188.7	2.7	125.1	-0.4
1996	1,821.2	1.6	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	54.7	-0.4	10.7	-2.7	195.1	3.4	119.5	-4.5
1997	1,869.0	2.6	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	54.5	-0.4	10.3	-3.7	197.0	1.0	122.9	2.8
1998	1,870.2	0.1	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	50.7	-7.0	11.4	10.7	196.0	-0.5	117.7	-4.2
1999	1,906.4	1.9	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	49.0	-3.4	11.5	0.9	192.2	-1.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	1,949.1	2.2	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	55.4	13.1	11.3	-1.7	205.4	6.9	112.5	-2.4
2001	1,942.4	-0.3	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	43.3	-21.8	11.7	3.5	196.2	-4.5	114.9	2.1
2002	1,973.4	1.6	399.0	1.8	30.1	16.2	38.9	-10.2	12.4	6.0	196.9	0.4	120.6	5.0
							seasonally adjusted							
2002 Jan	1,942.4		381.0		25.3		39.0		12.8		184.4		119.4	
Feb	1,933.7	-0.4	384.2	0.8	24.7	-2.4	38.8	-0.5	11.0	-14.1	195.1	5.8	114.6	-4 0
Mar	1,945.3	0.6	387.2	0.8	26.2	6.1	39.5	1.8	12.3	11.8	195.8	0.4	113.3	-1.1
Apr	1,957.2	0.6	388.6	0.4	26.2	0.0	38.2	-3.3	11.2	-8.9	196.2	0.2	116.8	3.1
May	1,944.8	-0.6	385.7	-0.7	28.5	8.8	36.1	-5.5	14.1	25.9	189.4	-3.5	117.5	0.6
Jun	1,974.1	1.5	392.8	1.8	30.4	6.7	34.9	-3.3	13.7	-2.8	196.1	3.5	117.7	0.2
Jul	1,987.8	0.7	401.9	2.3	30.2	-0.7	37.2	6.6	12.7	-7.3	200.9	2.4	120.7	2.5
Aug	2,001.6	0.7	408.7	1.7	31.8	5.3	38.7	4.0	12.1	-4.7	200.9	0.0	125.3	3.8
Sep	2,001.3	0.0	410.3	0.4	33.1	4.1	39.9	3.1	12.2	0.8	200.5	-0.2	124.6	-0.6
Oct	1,997.9	-0.2	414.7	1.1	33.5	1.2	41.6	4.3	11.4	-6.6	199.8	-0.3	128.4	3.0
Nov	1,997.2	0.0	413.8	-0.2	33.1	-1.2	40.8	-1.9	12.3	7.9	203.5	1.9	124.1	-3.3
Dec	1,994.6	-0.1	416.5	0.7	35.9	8.5	42.0	2.9	13.0	5.7	201.6	-0.9	123.9	-0.2
2003 Jan	1,990.3	-0.2	416.0	-0.1	33.4	-7.0	45.0	7.1	12.2	-6.2	201.3	-0.1	124.1	0.2
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Average:														
Jan-Jan02	1,942.4		381.0		25.3		39.0		12.8		184.4		119.4	
Jan-Jan03	1,990.3		416.0		33.4		45.0		12.2		201.3		124.1	
% Change	2.5		9.2		32.0		15.4		-4.7		9.2		3.9	

***NOTE**: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.*

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

7b BC Employment by Industry

	Total Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Community and Personal Service								Public Administration	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health & Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Other Service	
	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg
1993	1,291.4		100.6		275.2		113.9		97.3		112.6		164.3		121.4		204.8		101.3	
1994	1,352.4	4.7	99.1	-1.5	289.4	5.2	118.0	3.6	101.1	3.9	120.4	6.9	170.8	4.0	129.2	6.4	224.3	9.5	100.1	-1.2
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	102.4	1.3	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	231.1	3.0	103.8	3.7
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	106.2	3.7	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	237.0	2.6	107.0	3.1
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	112.6	6.0	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	244.5	3.2	99.5	-7.0
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	124.1	10.2	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	254.4	4.0	93.1	-6.4
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	136.7	10.2	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	260.9	2.6	90.4	-2.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	136.4	-0.2	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	270.5	3.7	89.7	-0.8
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	141	3.4	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	277.9	2.7	88.8	-1.0
2002	1,574.4	1.5	110.1	3.0	319.0	3.1	118.9	2.3	136.7	-3.0	139.7	2.9	217.3	6.6	171.0	0.2	277.1	-0.3	84.7	-4.6
									seasonally adjusted									
2002 Jan	1,561.4		106.4		311.2		115.6		137		138.7		215.3		175.1		278.5		83.5	
Feb	1,549.5	-0.8	107.0	0.6	311.9	0.2	111.7	-3.4	140.8	2.8	134.7	-2.9	210.2	-2.4	175.7	0.3	276.4	-0.8	81.0	-3.0
Mar	1,558.1	0.6	104.8	-2.1	303.2	-2.8	110.0	-1.5	136	-3.4	139.5	3.6	211.4	0.6	180.1	2.5	289.1	4.6	84.1	3.8
Apr	1,568.6	0.7	106.2	1.3	321.1	5.9	108.2	-1.6	134.9	-0.8	143.1	2.6	216.3	2.3	179.0	-0.6	278.4	-3.7	81.4	-3.2
May	1,559.1	-0.6	107.0	0.8	320.4	-0.2	111.5	3.0	135.8	0.7	138.9	-2.9	213.6	-1.2	173.1	-3.3	276.8	-0.6	82.1	0.9
Jun	1,581.4	1.4	109.4	2.2	319.0	-0.4	118.9	6.6	137.6	1.3	141.0	1.5	218.7	2.4	172.1	-0.6	280.2	1.2	84.5	2.9
Jul	1,586.0	0.3	113.0	3.3	323.8	1.5	118.8	-0.1	131.5	-4.4	141.7	0.5	222.4	1.7	170.2	-1.1	277.1	-1.1	87.6	3.7
Aug	1,593.0	0.4	108.7	-3.8	323.5	-0.1	123.5	4.0	135.8	3.3	147.0	3.7	218.0	-2.0	167.0	-1.9	283.4	2.3	86.1	-1.7
Sep	1,591.1	-0.1	116.7	7.4	323.8	0.1	123.9	0.3	142.7	5.1	141.9	-3.5	218.0	0.0	166.1	-0.5	269.1	-5.0	88.8	3.1
Oct	1,583.2	-0.5	114.9	-1.5	322.0	-0.6	128.4	3.6	134.9	-5.5	137.7	-3.0	223.8	2.7	165.1	-0.6	269.0	0.0	87.3	-1.7
Nov	1,583.5	0.0	111.7	-2.8	321.6	-0.1	127.8	-0.5	137.2	1.7	136.1	-1.2	220.9	-1.3	167.1	1.2	276.1	2.6	84.8	-2.9
Dec	1,578.1	-0.3	115.4	3.3	324.9	1.0	128.9	0.9	135.5	-1.2	138.2	1.5	219.6	-0.6	161.9	-3.1	269.5	-2.4	84.2	-0.7
2003 Jan	1,574.2	-0.2	116.7	1.1	328.3	1.0	128.4	-0.4	128.4	-5.2	148.4	7.4	207.5	-5.5	162.6	0.4	270.9	0.5	83.1	-1.3
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Average:																				
Jan-Jan02	1,561.4		106.4		311.2		115.6		137.0		138.7		215.3		175.1		278.5		83.5	
Jan-Jan03	1,574.2		116.7		328.3		128.4		128.4		148.4		207.5		162.6		270.9		83.1	
% Change	0.8		9.7		5.5		11.1		-6.3		7.0		-3.6		-7.1		-2.7		-0.5	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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Source: Statistics Canada

8 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Occupation, Actual

	Management		Business Finance & Admin.		Natural & Applied Sciences		Health		Social Sci. Education Govt Service & Religion		Art Culture Recreation & Sport		Sales & Service		Trades Transport & Equipment Operators		Occupations Unique to Primary		Occupations Unique to Processing, Mfg & Utilities		All Occupations	
	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %
1993	162.8	3.3	322.9	5.5	81.7	5.3	91.4	2.0	104.8	3.9	43.1	6.5	434.6	8.7	285.0	10.6	69.3	15.2	80.2	9.7	1,675.9	9.7
1994	173.4	3.9	332.8	4.5	87.0	4.2	86.1	2.0	116.3	3.1	50.1	7.2	470.1	7.6	288.1	9.7	67.9	14.3	82.2	9.4	1,754.0	9.0
1995	177.5	3.1	339.0	4.4	89.5	4.0	89.5	2.4	112.2	3.2	53.9	4.6	486.2	6.4	291.6	9.6	65.6	15.7	87.4	8.4	1,792.3	8.4
1996	185.4	3.3	329.7	3.7	96.5	3.9	89.8	2.3	122.1	2.7	56.2	5.4	486.9	7.1	290.8	9.0	71.0	14.9	92.6	8.6	1,821.2	8.7
1997	181.5	2.9	342.0	3.7	102.0	3.2	95.8	1.8	124.0	2.7	56.5	6.5	501.1	5.8	304.3	7.1	68.7	15.7	93.0	7.9	1,869.0	8.4
1998	194.8	2.6	343.2	3.3	106.8	4.5	96.7	1.5	116.1	3.7	58.2	5.4	511.1	6.4	282.8	9.0	68.6	16.3	91.8	9.3	1,870.2	8.8
1999	197.8	2.4	347.8	3.6	119.5	3.3	95.3	1.7	125.8	2.6	67.4	4.1	510.9	6.7	282.7	7.8	65.3	14.6	93.8	7.6	1,906.4	8.3
2000	204.1	1.8	340.2	3.2	122.0	2.2	101.6	0.7	131.7	2.6	62.1	5.0	530.2	5.4	278.0	7.7	71.7	13.6	107.5	6.1	1,949.1	7.2
2001	174.3	2.6	340.4	4.1	118.5	4.7	103.6	1.8	130.1	3.1	59.5	5.9	566.0	5.4	280.1	7.5	63.8	13.4	106.1	8.7	1,942.4	7.7
2002	176.0	2.8	330.1	4.3	116.4	5.2	104.9	2.0	145.0	2.9	65.2	6.5	578.4	5.9	278.8	7.8	63.1	14.7	105.4	9.5	1,973.4	8.5
2002 Jan	168.8	3.1	321.8	4.0	122.1	6.1	105.9	2.4	142.8	1.6	66.4	4.0	560.5	6.3	263.2	12.0	46.6	23.9	101.6	12.0	1,899.6	9.6
Feb	182.9	3.4	323.0	3.6	114.2	6.5	99.8	4.9	142.9	1.8	58.7	4.9	576.8	6.0	259.3	11.3	46.2	19.7	99.9	10.8	1,903.7	9.3
Mar	179.0	3.1	329.0	3.4	117.7	4.4	105.2	1.9	150.0	1.0	69.0	6.6	560.6	6.7	261.3	11.4	48.7	16.9	100.1	13.2	1,920.6	9.3
Apr	187.8	2.4	327.5	5.0	110.6	5.7	114.7	1.1	158.2	1.2	65.6	3.7	559.8	6.1	261.2	8.2	52.6	24.7	100.1	7.6	1,938.1	9.0
May	188.0	3.3	328.9	5.8	111.4	6.1	112.9	2.7	146.1	2.1	64.2	9.4	568.0	6.0	280.6	6.8	60.2	20.1	101.6	11.6	1,961.8	9.3
Jun	189.9	1.4	332.1	5.0	119.2	5.5	113.3	2.3	142.2	2.9	64.4	6.3	588.8	4.9	286.1	6.7	66.9	15.4	107.8	8.7	2,010.7	8.2
Jul	178.3	3.3	328.2	4.9	114.2	5.4	126.0	1.3	126.9	5.2	70.7	5.0	598.3	5.9	296.1	5.2	71.1	7.7	113.2	7.6	2,023.0	8.3
Aug	158.0	3.8	337.7	4.6	118.4	2.8	123.1	2.1	135.3	8.8	71.4	4.4	591.9	5.6	304.8	5.2	80.8	6.6	114.0	8.4	2,035.3	7.9
Sep	164.5	2.8	334.6	3.9	114.8	4.9	115.6	3.2	152.5	4.1	65.7	8.8	598.6	4.7	290.3	5.3	78.7	7.3	105.3	6.9	2,020.6	7.5
Oct	163.9	3.0	326.5	3.6	118.9	4.4	121.0	1.4	148.9	1.5	64.0	6.4	583.2	6.8	290.0	5.5	74.5	11.9	111.6	6.1	2,002.5	7.7
Nov	176.5	2.1	328.2	5.0	117.8	6.2	121.7	1.1	144.6	2.0	59.4	7.0	588.9	6.2	278.1	8.2	63.9	17.1	108.8	7.6	1,987.9	8.5
Dec	174.4	2.5	343.6	3.5	118.1	4.4	119.1	0.5	149.9	2.1	63.5	9.3	565.6	5.9	274.7	8.2	66.8	12.7	101.2	13.0	1,977.0	8.1
2003 Jan	169.8	2.1	340.9	5.5	120.5	5.9	113.8	1.2	151.6	1.9	63.2	7.3	548.7	6.9	269.6	9.6	64.7	20.7	101.6	11.5	1,944.5	9.0
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Average:																						
Jan-Jan02	168.8	3.1	321.8	4.0	122.1	6.1	105.9	2.4	142.8	1.6	66.4	4.0	560.5	6.3	263.2	12.0	46.6	23.9	101.6	12.0	1,899.6	9.6
Jan-Jan03	169.8	2.1	340.9	5.5	120.5	5.9	113.8	1.2	151.6	1.9	63.2	7.3	548.7	6.9	269.6	9.6	64.7	20.7	101.6	11.5	1,944.5	9.0
% Change	0.6		5.9		-1.3		7.5		6.2		-4.8		-2.1		2.4		38.8		0.0		2.4	

NOTES: *1. Occupation specific Unemployment Rates include only those unemployed who worked in the past year. The "All Occupations" rate incorporates total unemployed persons which includes an "Occupation Unclassified" category.*

2. Due to the relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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Source: Statistics Canada

9 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Region and Metropolitan Area

	British Columbia		Vancouver		Victoria		Development Regions													
							Vancouver Island/ Coast		Mainland/ Southwest		Thompson-Okanagan		Kootenay		Cariboo		North Coast & Nechako		Northeast	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
1993	1,675.9	9.7	869.5	9.3	138.8	8.3														
1994	1,754.0	9.0	908.9	8.6	144.3	7.1														
1995	1,792.3	8.4	929.6	7.9	143.1	8.4	309.9	9.2	1055.8	7.9	194.7	10.2	69.7	8.0	80.4	9.7	49.1	8.2	32.7	6.6
1996	1,821.2	8.7	948.6	8.0	143.5	8.5	309.8	9.4	1073.4	8.3	201.1	10.4	65.7	8.7	86.8	8.6	51.9	7.5	32.4	7.2
1997	1,869.0	8.4	971.3	8.3	149.8	7.5	322.7	8.6	1104.0	8.3	207.7	8.3	65.7	9.3	84.0	9.8	51.8	9.1	33.1	4.6
1998	1,870.2	8.8	979.6	8.1	146.6	8.7	315.7	9.6	1113.4	8.1	208.2	8.2	70.6	11.8	83.3	14.5	47.4	9.5	31.7	NA
1999	1,906.4	8.3	1,005.4	7.8	154.2	6.7	329.1	8.0	1,140.1	7.8	207.1	9.7	69.5	9.0	82.9	11.6	46.7	8.8	30.8	8.9
2000	1,949.1	7.2	1,044.5	5.9	153.6	6.7	325.8	7.8	1,177.9	6.2	212.7	9.2	71.2	10.1	81.5	9.9	47.5	10.2	32.5	6.1
2001	1,942.4	7.7	1,051.1	6.6	148.9	6.1	305.3	9.1	1,187.9	6.6	213.7	9.2	71.9	9.6	83.0	9.7	47.4	10.9	33.2	5.9
2002	1,973.4	8.5	1,076.2	7.8	151.2	7.1	311.9	8.7	1,221.6	7.8	210.0	9.3	68.3	10.1	81.9	12.6	46.3	12.6	33.4	9.0
	3- month moving average, actual, ending in:																			
2002 Jan	1,905.0	9.1	1,033.7	8.2	153.2	6.4	306.9	10.1	1,169.2	8.3	198.3	9.8	70.7	10.4	83.5	11.8	44.9	13.5	31.5	8.7
Feb	1,901.0	9.4	1,029.5	8.5	151.7	7.4	307.5	10.4	1,165.2	8.6	197.4	10.2	70.1	10.1	83.7	12.1	45.2	13.6	31.9	8.1
Mar	1,908.0	9.4	1,031.5	8.4	151.2	7.9	309.3	10.2	1,168.3	8.5	199.3	10.3	69.5	10.8	82.9	13.0	45.5	14.6	33.1	7.3
Apr	1,920.8	9.2	1,038.7	8.2	151.1	7.6	313.0	9.4	1,178.5	8.2	201.7	10.4	66.9	11.7	81.7	13.3	45.5	15.8	33.4	7.7
May	1,940.1	9.2	1,052.5	8.3	151.6	6.9	315.5	8.7	1,194.8	8.3	205.5	10.3	66.3	11.1	80.0	14.7	45.2	16.1	32.9	10.1
Jun	1,970.2	8.8	1,069.8	8.0	150.8	6.9	317.1	8.4	1,214.8	8.0	212.8	10.1	66.5	9.9	80.8	13.6	45.4	15.0	32.8	11.6
Jul	1,998.5	8.6	1,085.7	7.9	151.2	7.0	315.7	8.3	1,233.6	7.9	217.0	9.6	69.6	8.0	81.8	13.7	47.1	12.9	33.6	10.6
Aug	2,023.0	8.1	1,100.8	7.3	151.8	7.2	314.4	8.6	1,252.2	7.3	219.1	9.6	71.0	7.6	83.1	12.6	48.8	10.8	34.4	9.2
Sep	2,026.3	7.9	1,108.3	7.2	152.9	6.9	312.7	8.4	1,260.0	7.3	216.7	8.8	69.9	7.9	83.1	12.2	49.3	9.4	34.6	7.7
Oct	2,019.5	7.7	1,104.1	7.4	152.4	6.7	313.8	7.6	1,254.7	7.4	217.4	7.9	68.4	9.1	83.8	10.4	47.6	9.5	33.9	8.1
Nov	2,003.7	7.9	1,102.4	7.7	150.2	6.5	310.6	7.5	1,250.4	7.6	215.0	7.5	66.6	10.4	82.1	10.7	45.8	10.7	33.2	9.0
Dec	1,989.2	8.1	1,095.1	7.7	149.8	6.4	308.7	7.7	1,243.3	7.6	211.2	8.0	67.2	11.7	80.7	11.9	45.0	11.6	33.2	9.3
2003 Jan	1,969.8	8.5	1,090.1	7.6	150.1	6.5	305.1	9.1	1,236.1	7.6	204.3	9.4	67.2	11.9	78.4	13.1	45.1	11.7	33.6	8.9
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Average:	year-to-date averages are based on monthy actual data																			
Jan-Jan02	1,899.6	9.6	1,035.1	8.2	151.2	8.0	305.2	11.2	1,169.8	8.4	196.4	10.8	70.0	9.8	82.5	14.0	44.5	14.5	31.3	10.8
Jan-Jan03	1,944.5	9.0	1,076.8	7.6	151.8	6.6	304.8	10.1	1,219.1	7.8	197.4	10.8	67.3	11.1	77.0	13.9	45.0	12.4	33.8	8.4
% Change	2.4		4.0		0.4		-0.1		4.2		0.5		-3.9		-6.7		1.1		8.0	

NOTE: Geographic boundaries changed on January 1, 1995.

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Source: Statistics Canada

10 BC Employment by Class of Worker

	Total Employment		Employees						Self-Employed	
			Total		Public		Private			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1993	1,675.9		1,383.6		341.6		1,042.0		292.3	
1994	1,754.0	4.7	1,451.2	4.9	338.5	-0.9	1,112.8	6.8	302.8	3.6
1995	1,792.3	2.2	1,489.8	2.7	335.3	-0.9	1,154.5	3.7	302.5	-0.1
1996	1,821.2	1.6	1,499.8	0.7	330.7	-1.4	1,169.1	1.3	321.3	6.2
1997	1,869.0	2.6	1,507.6	0.5	332.0	0.4	1,175.5	0.5	361.4	12.5
1998	1,870.2	0.1	1,481.5	-1.7	328.9	-0.9	1,152.7	-1.9	388.6	7.5
1999	1,906.4	1.9	1,513.8	2.2	339.8	3.3	1,174.0	1.8	392.6	1.0
2000	1,949.1	2.2	1,583.0	4.6	354.6	4.4	1,228.4	4.6	366.1	-6.7
2001	1,942.4	-0.3	1,581.9	-0.1	354.4	-0.1	1,227.5	-0.1	360.4	-1.6
2002	1,973.4	1.6	1,598.5	1.0	354.8	0.1	1,243.7	1.3	374.9	4.0
					seasonally adjusted					
2002 Jan	1,942.4		1,575.1		352.4		1,222.7		367.3	
Feb	1,933.7	-0.4	1,572.0	-0.2	338.8	-3.9	1,233.2	0.9	361.7	-1.5
Mar	1,945.3	0.6	1,576.0	0.3	349.3	3.1	1,226.7	-0.5	369.3	2.1
Apr	1,957.2	0.6	1,581.8	0.4	349.2	0.0	1,232.6	0.5	375.3	1.6
May	1,944.8	-0.6	1,569.8	-0.8	349.1	0.0	1,220.7	-1.0	374.9	-0.1
Jun	1,974.1	1.5	1,596.3	1.7	354.2	1.5	1,242.1	1.8	377.8	0.8
Jul	1,987.8	0.7	1,608.5	0.8	359.7	1.6	1,248.8	0.5	379.3	0.4
Aug	2,001.6	0.7	1,623.0	0.9	360.9	0.3	1,262.1	1.1	378.7	-0.2
Sep	2,001.3	0.0	1,626.5	0.2	365.5	1.3	1,261.0	-0.1	374.8	-1.0
Oct	1,997.9	-0.2	1,612.2	-0.9	360.3	-1.4	1,251.9	-0.7	385.7	2.9
Nov	1,997.2	0.0	1,612.9	0.0	357.2	-0.9	1,255.7	0.3	384.4	-0.3
Dec	1,994.6	-0.1	1,624.8	0.7	359.3	0.6	1,265.5	0.8	369.8	-3.8
2003 Jan	1,990.3	-0.2	1,625.0	0.0	362.0	0.8	1,263.0	-0.2	365.3	-1.2
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Average:										
Jan-Jan02	1,942.4		1,575.1		352.4		1,222.7		367.3	
Jan-Jan03	1,990.3		1,625.0		362.0		1,263.0		365.3	
% Change	2.5		3.2		2.7		3.3		-0.5	

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Source: Statistics Canada

Labour Force Statistics

This report is based on statistics from the Labour Force Survey produced monthly by Statistics Canada. Questions and comments should be directed to Anne Kittredge at (250)387-0374 or Anne.Kittredge@gems6.gov.bc.ca.

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Reference Week
Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment, and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

Labour Force
The labour force is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed
Employed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) did any work at all, or (b) had a job but were not at work due to own illness or disability, personal or family responsibilities, bad weather, labour dispute, vacation, or other reason not specified above (excluding persons whose job attachment was to a job to start at a definite date in the future).

Unemployment
Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with the reference week), and were available for work; or (b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had been on layoff and were available for work; or (c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Unemployment Rate
The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number of unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

Participation Rate
The participation rate represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the labour force for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Employment Rate
The employment rate(employment/population ratio) is the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the employment for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Rounding
Estimates published by the Labour Force Survey are rounded to the nearest thousand but all derived values (totals, averages, rates, ratios, percent changes, etc.) are calculated from unrounded figures. Therefore, the sum of the individual rounded items may not equal the total. Unadjusted estimates rounded to hundreds are available from BC STATS on request.

Seasonal Adjustment
Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods, and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

Source: Extracted from Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey, Definitions and Explanations

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HIGHLIGHTS

- **B.C. employment increased by 11,700 in February**. Even though there was an increase in employment, the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 8.2 per cent due to an increase in labour force participation.
- **B.C. employment gains in February were shared equally between the goods and services producing sectors.** February employment in the goods producing sector is the highest it has ever been, with construction being the only industry that experienced a decline. The service-producing sector experienced some losses in late 2002 and is currently at the same level as June 2002.
- **Men experienced an employment increase of 7,000 in February, with the increase in full-time employment outweighing a decline in part-time employment**. Women experienced an employment increase of 4,700, with the increase in part-time outweighing the decline in full-time. Overall, full-time employment rose by 11,800 and part-time employment declined by 100.
- **Canadian seasonally-adjusted employment increased by 55,200 in February.** Employment increased in all provinces except Saskatchewan and Manitoba, which saw slight declines. Ontario had the largest net gain in employment (up 28,400) followed by B.C. However in percentage terms, Newfoundland lead the country with a 7 per cent increase, followed by B.C. (6 per cent) and Ontario (5 per cent).

Selected Statistics (SA)*	Feb. 2003	Jan. 2003	Feb. 2002
B.C. Unemployment Rate	8.2%	8.2%	8.7%
Canada Unemployment Rate	7.4%	7.4%	7.8%
B.C. Help Wanted Index - (1996=100)	85.1	85.5	95.2
B.C. Employment - Change from prev. mo.	0.6%	-0.2%	-
B.C. Labour Force - Change from prev. mo.	0.6%	-0.4%	-
B.C. Labour Force Participation Rate	65.1%	64.8%	64.1%

* Unless otherwise indicated, all labour force variables are seasonally adjusted.

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B.C.'s Experienced Labour Force by Occupation
- Highlights of the 2001 Census -

Introduction . . . On February 11, 2003, data from the 2001 Census regarding the experienced labour force was released by Statistics Canada. This data included characteristics by occupation, age, sex, province and city. The experienced labour force consists of persons who were employed or unemployed during the week prior to Census Day (May 15, 2001), but had worked (for pay or in self-employment) at some point since January 1, 2000.

This article looks at the experienced labour force by occupation, using the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC), and makes some comparisons between the 1991 and 2001 Census. We will highlight the occupations with the most employees (for men and for women), followed by a look at the occupations with the largest percentage increases and decreases since 1991. Occupations with the highest proportion of older workers are noted, as well as changes in the ratio of younger to older workers. Lastly we will look at the new detailed occupational classifications under the National Occupational Classification for Statistics, (NOC-S) 2001, which provide more detail about computer occupations.

Largest Occupations . . . The SOC identifies 142 minor group occupations (i.e. at the 3 digit SOC level). The largest minor group occupation for men in B.C. in 2001 was motor vehicle and transit drivers (the largest component being truck drivers). For women, the largest minor group occupations were general office clerical and childcare and home support workers. See Figure 1 for a list of the 15 largest minor group occupations for men and women in 2001.

Growth in B.C. Labour Force . . . Overall, the total experienced labour force in B.C. grew from 1,721,690 in 1991 to 2,014,600 in 2001, a 17.0 per cent increase. In 2001, women represented 47.0 per cent of the experienced labour force, up from 44.7 per cent in 1991. Above average growth in the experienced labour force was seen in 63 minor group occupations. Of those, 26 occupations grew by more than 50 per cent. Between 1991 and 2001, 37 occupations decreased in size.

Figure 1: Largest Minor Group Occupations in B.C. for Men and Women, 2001

Occupation	*Men*
Motor vehicle and transit drivers	52,445
Computer and information systems professionals	34,290
Retail salespersons and sales clerks	32,565
Managers in retail trade	29,125
Cleaners	28,985
Labourers in processing, manufact. & utilities	23,410
Carpenters and cabinetmakers	22,960
Primary production labourers	20,765
Auditors, accountants & investment professionals	20,705
Chefs and cooks	20,700
Longshore workers and material handlers	20,395
Machinery & transportation equip. mechanics	19,870
Motor vehicle mechanics	19,710
Senior management occupations	18,690
Other sales and related occupations	18,025

Occupation	*Women*
Clerical occupations, general office skills	54,300
Child care and home support workers	54,300
Retail salespersons and sales clerks	50,250
Secretaries, recorders and transcriptionists	41,330
Secondary & elementary school teachers & counsellors	36,085
Finance and insurance clerks	33,970
Administrative and regulatory occupations	32,150
Occupations in food and beverage service	31,965
Cashiers	30,635
Cleaners	28,835
Food counter attendants, kitchen helpers	27,435
Nurse supervisors and registered nurses	26,040
Finance & insurance administrative occupations	24,220
Assisting occup. in support of health services	24,065
Managers in retail trade	21,150

Figure 2 shows the minor group occupations (with experienced labour force of over 4,000) that experienced the greatest change in percentage terms between 1991 and 2001. The minor group occupation, which saw the fastest growth in experienced labour force in B.C. was computer and information systems professionals (up 189 per cent). Technology appears to have had a major impact both in terms of large percentage gains and decreases. Growth was seen in computer professionals, life science professionals and electrical/electrician assemblers (areas where technology tended to create new work), while declines were seen in a number of machine operator occupations (areas where technology tended to displace jobs). Health occupations, including optometrists, chiropractors and other (107.7 per cent) therapy and assessment professionals (100.9 per cent), life science professionals (85.4 per cent) and pharmacists, dieticians and nutritionists (68.7 per cent), saw strong growth, although nurse supervisors and registered nurses decreased in size.

Figure 2: Selected Large Minor Group Occupations in B.C. with the Greatest Percentage Change between 1991 to 2001

	Increase		*Decrease*
All occupations	**17.0%**	Machinery & transportation equipment mechanics (except motor vehicle)	-1.0%
Computer & information systems professionals	189.2%	Agriculture & horticulture workers	-1.3%
Auditors, accountants & investment professionals	116.4%	Other elemental service occupations	-3.0%
Optometrists, chiropractors & other health diagnosing and treating professionals	107.7%	Nurse supervisors & registered nurses	-5.8%
Customer service & related information clerks (includes call center representatives)	105.0%	Recording, scheduling & distributing occupations	-6.2%
Human resources & business service professionals	102.4%	Supervisors, processing occupations	-7.2%
Therapy & assessment professionals (includes physiotherapists)	100.0%	Machining, metalworking, woodworking & related machine operators	-9.5%
Life science professionals	85.4%	Machine operators & related workers in pulp & paper production & wood processing	-12.7%
Legislators & senior management	83.3%	Other occupations in protective service	-14.5%
Other attendants in travel, accommodation & recreation	82.6%	Secretaries, recorders & transcriptionists	-15.2%
Athletes, coaches, referees & related occupations	78.5%	Upholsterers, tailors, shoe repairers, jewellers & related occupations	-17.3%
Other occupations in personal service	74.3%	Logging & forestry workers	-17.6%
Photographers, graphic arts technicians & technical occupations in motion pictures, broadcasting & the performing arts	72.7%	Insurance & real estate sales occupations & buyers	-20.8%
Mechanical, electrical & electronics assemblers	72.3%	Machine operators & related workers in food, beverage & tobacco processing	-25.7%
Pharmacists, dietitians & nutritionists	68.7%	Finance & insurance clerks	-27.0%
Administrative & regulatory occupations	67.1%	Printing machine operators & related occupations	-27.7%
Paralegals, social services workers & occupations in education & religion	65.9%	Trades helpers & labourers	-30.0%
Creative & performing artists	60.4%	Office equipment operators	-34.8%
Policy & program officers, researchers & consultants	60.4%	Clerical supervisors	-41.3%
Writing, translating & public relations professionals	60.0%	Public works & other labourers	-46.5%

Occupations by Age Group . . . Figure 3 shows unit group occupations (i.e. at the 4-digit SOC level) in 2001 that had a high proportion of workers aged 55 or older. A number of occupations, including judges (54 per cent), metallurgical engineers (34 per cent), specialist physicians (30 per cent), university professors (30 per cent) and fire-chiefs (30 per cent), had above average proportions of workers aged 55 and older, mainly due to the level of education and experience required. Other occupations including farmers (46 per cent), shoe repairers (38 per cent) and grain elevator operators (33 per cent) reflect an aging workforce in occupations which have decreased in size and added few new young workers.

Figure 3: B.C. Unit Group Occupations with the Largest Proportion of Workers Aged 55 and Older, 2001

	% of Total
All occupations - British Columbia	**13%**
Judges	54%
Farmers and farm managers	46%
Property administrators	41%
Shoe repairers and shoemakers	38%
Supervisors, textile processing	37%
Metallurgical & materials engineers	34%
Grain elevator operators	33%
Specialist physicians	30%
Legislators	30%
Psychologists	30%
Fishing masters and officers	30%
University professors	30%
Fire chiefs & senior fire-fighting officers	30%
Real estate agents and salespersons	30%
Harvesting labourers	29%
Ministers of religion	28%
Oil and solid fuel heating mechanics	28%
Physicists and astronomers	27%
Accommodation service managers	27%
Painters, sculptors & other visual artists	27%
Water well drillers	27%
Senior managers - Goods production, utilities, transportation and construction	27%
Archivists	27%
Program officers unique to government	26%
Writers	26%
Bus drivers & other transit operators	26%

Four-digit SOC unit group classification level

The Ageing of the Labour Force . . . Looking closer at occupations with a large proportion of older workers, we can also compare the ratio of younger workers aged 20 to 34 to older workers aged 55 and older, and the changes that have taken place between 1991 and 2001. The 20-24 age group represents young workers who have recently entered the work force, and will likely be in the fork force for some time. The group 55 and older, represent the older workers who will likely leave the work force within the next 7 to 15 years. Changes in the ratio of younger workers to older workers gives an indication as to which occupations are aging the fastest, and may also indicate occupations where relative opportunities for future new workers may be strong.

Figure 4 presents those occupations with a high percentage of older workers in the experienced labour force in 2001, and which have also experienced a large drop in the ratio of young workers to older workers between 1991 and 2001.

A number of skilled trades occupations, including millwrights, machinists, gas fitters and bricklayers, saw both an above average proportion of workers aged 55 and older in 2001, and notable drops in the proportion of younger to older workers. This was also the case for both university professors and college/vocational instructors. Registered nursing assistants and registered nurses (RNs) both saw a steep decline in ratio of younger to older workers. In 1991 there was 3.4 younger RNs for every RN aged 55+, but by 2001 this had fallen to 1.3 to 1.

Figure 4: Occupations that Experienced Significant Aging in the B.C. Experienced Labour Force between 1991 and 2001

	Experienced Labour Force Total 2001	*Proportion Aged 55+ in 2001*	*Number of 20-34 year olds to one 55+ year old in 1991*	*Number of 20-34 year olds to one 55+ year old in 2001*
All occupations	**2,014,600**	**12.7%**	**3.7**	**2.4**
University professors	1,505	29.8%	1.0	0.5
Physicists and astronomers	310	27.4%	4.8	1.0
Architects	2,350	23.4%	2.0	0.9
Upholsterers	835	22.8%	2.4	0.7
Machinists and machining and tooling inspectors	3,760	20.7%	3.1	1.3
Construction millwrights and industrial mechanics	7,145	19.9%	1.8	0.6
Gas fitters	955	19.9%	3.8	1.2
Bookkeepers	19,775	19.2%	2.2	1.0
Secretaries (except legal and medical)	29,435	19.2%	3.8	1.0
Industrial instrument technicians and mechanics	940	19.1%	6.9	1.0
College and other vocational instructors	11,990	18.7%	2.2	1.0
Bricklayers	1,365	18.7%	2.2	1.2
Geological and mineral technologists and technicians	920	17.9%	5.9	1.3
Civil engineering technologists & technicians & construction estimators	3,100	17.4%	2.5	1.2
Dental technicians and laboratory bench workers	1,180	16.5%	13.5	1.2
Registered nursing assistants	5,690	16.1%	2.7	1.1
Lawyers	8,690	15.7%	3.3	1.4
Truck drivers	31,530	15.5%	3.6	1.7
Registered nurses	26,890	15.1%	3.4	1.3
School and guidance counsellors	2,830	14.1%	3.5	1.3
Secondary school teachers	20,585	13.2%	2.9	2.0
Refrigeration and air conditioning mechanics	1,425	9.1%	5.4	3.2

Four-digit SOC unit group classification level

New Occupations . . . Statistics Canada's revised occupational classification system is called the National Occupational Classification for Statistics (NOC-S) 2001. It expands upon the Standard Occupational Classification 1991 system. The NOC-S 2001 is a minor revision of 1991 SOC that addresses the need for increased attention to occupations in computer and information technology. Note that the 2001 Census was coded in both NOC-S 2001 and SOC 1991, to allow some comparisons with previous Census surveys. Because of the extensive revision to occupations in computer and information technology, it was necessary to create two new minor groups: *C07 Computer and Information Professionals* and *C18 Technical Occupations in Computer and Information Systems*. Together they contain eight new unit group occupations. Also C047 Computer Engineers (except software engineers) was created under minor group *C04 Other Engineers*. Figure 5 shows the experienced labour force in these new occupations for 2001. The largest occupation, computer programmers and interactive media developers accounted for over one quarter of these workers. A larger than average percentage of workers in these occupations were found in Vancouver Census Metro Area.

Figure 5: B.C. Experienced Labour Force in Computer and Information Technology Occupations

		2001	*Proportion found in Vancouver Metro*
	All occupations	**2,014,600**	**52.1%**
	Computer and Information Technology Occupations	**45,570**	**74.7%**
C047	Computer engineers (except software engineers)	2,845	84.0%
C071	Information systems analysts and consultants	9,700	70.5%
C072	Database analysts and data administrators	1,635	64.5%
C073	Software engineers	4,195	86.1%
C074	Computer programmers & interactive media developers	11,330	77.7%
C075	Web designers and developers	4,195	71.2%
C181	Computer and network operators and web technicians	6,145	69.5%
C182	User support technicians	4,570	73.3%
C183	Systems testing technicians	955	80.6%

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1 Summary for February 2003--Actual and Seasonally Adjusted

	Current February 2003		Previous Month January 2003		One Year Ago February 2002		Change from January 2003		Change from February 2002	
	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.
British Columbia										
Working Age Population ('000)	3347.9		3345.8		3307.1		0.1%		1.2%	
Labour Force ('000)	2158.1	2180.1	2136.0	2167.3	2097.9	2118.7	1.0%	0.6%	2.9%	2.9%
Employment ('000)	1971.3	2002.0	1944.5	1990.3	1903.7	1933.7	1.4%	0.6%	3.6%	3.5%
Unemployment ('000)	186.8	178.1	191.6	177.0	194.2	184.9	-2.5%	0.6%	-3.8%	-3.7%
Employment Rate[1]	58.9%	59.8%	58.1%	59.5%	57.6%	58.5%				
Unemployment Rate	8.7%	8.2%	9.0%	8.2%	9.3%	8.7%				
Participation Rate	64.5%	65.1%	63.8%	64.8%	63.4%	64.1%				
Canada										
Working Age Population ('000)	25,125.1		25,108.2		24,815.2		0.1%		1.2%	
Labour Force ('000)	16,710.0	16,960.6	16,611.3	16,906.1	16,229.0	16,475.3	0.6%	0.3%	3.0%	2.9%
Employment ('000)	15,375.7	15,702.8	15,266.3	15,647.6	14,860.2	15,187.9	0.7%	0.4%	3.5%	3.4%
Unemployment ('000)	1,334.4	1,257.9	1,345.0	1,258.5	1,368.9	1,287.4	-0.8%	0.0%	-2.5%	-2.3%
Employment Rate[1]	61.2%	62.5%	60.8%	62.3%	59.9%	61.2%				
Unemployment Rate	8.0%	7.4%	8.1%	7.4%	8.4%	7.8%				
Participation Rate	66.5%	67.5%	66.2%	67.3%	65.4%	66.4%				

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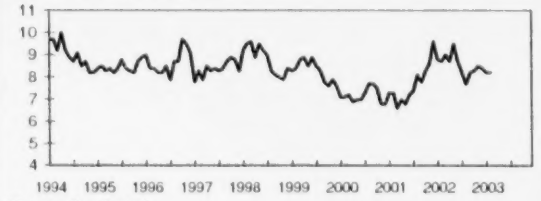

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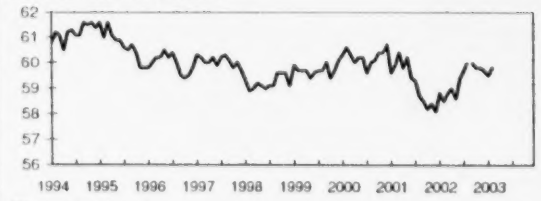

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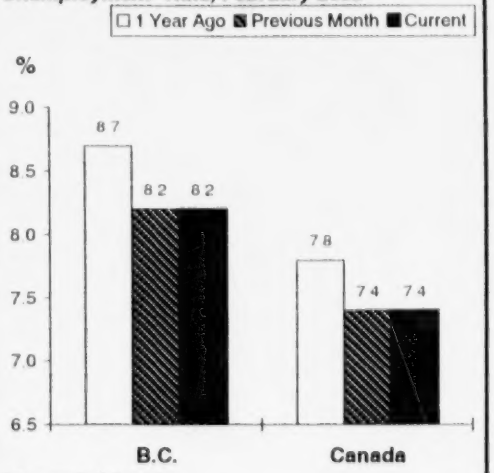

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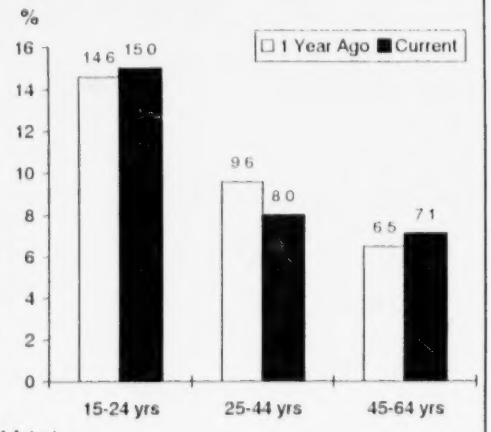
BC Unemployment Rates by Age, February 2003*



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[1] Employment rate is calculated as employment as a percent of the working age population.

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2 BC Monthly Labour Force Data

	Actual							
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	(%)	(%)
1993	1,855.6		1,675.9		179.7		9.7	66.7
1994	1,928.1	3.9	1,754.0	4.7	174.1	-3.1	9.0	67.2
1995	1,957.6	1.5	1,792.3	2.2	165.3	-5.1	8.4	66.3
1996	1,994.5	1.9	1,821.2	1.6	173.4	4.9	8.7	65.7
1997	2,040.3	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	171.3	-1.2	8.4	65.6
1998	2,051.2	0.5	1,870.2	0.1	181.0	5.7	8.8	64.9
1999	2,079.1	1.4	1,906.4	1.9	172.8	-4.5	8.3	65.1
2000	2,099.7	1.0	1,949.1	2.2	150.6	-12.8	7.2	64.9
2001	2,103.5	0.2	1,942.4	-0.3	161.1	7.0	7.7	64.1
2002	2,157.8	2.6	1,973.4	1.6	184.4	14.5	8.5	64.9
	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*		
2002 Jan	2,101.6	1.8	1,899.6	-0.1	201.9	23.2	9.6	63.6
Feb	2,097.9	0.5	1,903.7	-1.2	194.2	20.1	9.3	63.4
Mar	2,117.3	1.2	1,920.6	-1.4	196.8	36.9	9.3	63.9
Apr	2,129.1	2.0	1,938.1	0.1	191.0	25.9	9.0	64.2
May	2,163.0	1.6	1,961.8	-1.2	201.2	41.4	9.3	65.2
Jun	2,190.1	2.8	2,010.7	1.3	179.4	23.3	8.2	65.9
Jul	2,205.1	2.9	2,023.0	2.1	182.1	12.6	8.3	66.3
Aug	2,210.9	3.1	2,035.3	3.7	175.7	-2.6	7.9	66.4
Sep	2,184.2	4.3	2,020.6	3.9	163.6	8.7	7.5	65.5
Oct	2,170.6	4.1	2,002.5	4.1	168.1	4.5	7.7	65.0
Nov	2,171.5	3.9	1,987.9	3.8	183.6	4.9	8.5	65.0
Dec	2,151.9	2.7	1,977.0	4.1	174.9	-10.8	8.1	64.4
2003 Jan	2,136.0	1.6	1,944.5	2.4	191.6	-5.1	9.0	63.8
Feb	2,158.1	2.9	1,971.3	3.6	186.8	-3.8	8.7	64.5
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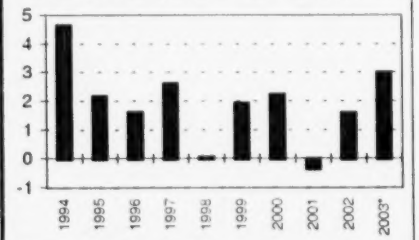
Average:								
Jan-Feb02	2,099.8		1,901.7		198.1		9.5	63.5
Jan-Feb03	2,147.1		1,957.9		189.2		8.9	64.2
% Change	2.3		3.0		-4.5			

% Change in Employment, Annual Avg



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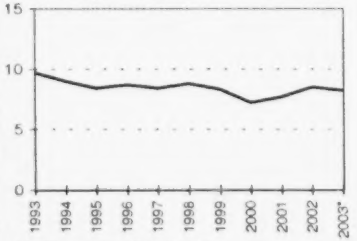

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Seasonally Adjusted								
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate
	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	(%)	(%)
2002 Jan	2,130.1		1,942.4		187.7		8.8	64.5
Feb	2,118.7	-0.5	1,933.7	-0.4	184.9	-1.5	8.7	64.1
Mar	2,137.1	0.9	1,945.3	0.6	191.8	3.7	9.0	64.5
Apr	2,143.1	0.3	1,957.2	0.6	186.0	-3.0	8.7	64.6
May	2,148.4	0.2	1,944.8	-0.6	203.6	9.5	9.5	64.7
Jun	2,161.5	0.6	1,974.1	1.5	187.4	-8.0	8.7	65.0
Jul	2,164.6	0.1	1,987.8	0.7	176.7	-5.7	8.2	65.0
Aug	2,167.7	0.1	2,001.6	0.7	166.1	-6.0	7.7	65.1
Sep	2,179.4	0.5	2,001.3	0.0	178.1	7.2	8.2	65.3
Oct	2,179.3	0.0	1,997.9	-0.2	181.5	1.9	8.3	65.3
Nov	2,183.1	0.2	1,997.2	0.0	185.9	2.4	8.5	65.3
Dec	2,176.9	-0.3	1,994.6	-0.1	182.3	-1.9	8.4	65.1
2003 Jan	2,167.3	-0.4	1,990.3	-0.2	177.0	-2.9	8.2	64.8
Feb	2,180.1	0.6	2,002.0	0.6	178.1	0.6	8.2	65.1
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Average:								
Jan-Feb02	2,124.4		1,938.1		186.3		8.8	64.3
Jan-Feb03	2,173.7		1,996.2		177.6		8.2	65.0
% Change	2.3		3.0		-4.7			

* Per cent changes for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, per cent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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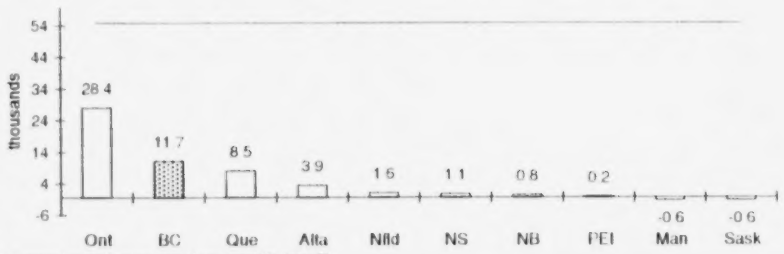
Source: Statistics Canada

3a Employment ('000) by Province

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1993	1,675.9	1,294.8	450.8	506.5	4,973.8	3,039.9	301.5	367.9	54.4	191.9	12,857.5
1994	1,754.0	1,331.6	455.7	509.5	5,039.2	3,100.6	300.2	373.3	55.4	192.2	13,111.7
1995	1,792.3	1,369.3	459.4	519.0	5,130.6	3,147.5	309.9	377.1	57.3	194.3	13,356.9
1996	1,821.2	1,408.4	457.5	518.6	5,180.8	3,145.9	306.2	378.1	58.9	187.0	13,462.6
1997	1,869.0	1,457.9	470.0	525.6	5,313.4	3,195.1	310.7	384.3	59.2	189.3	13,774.4
1998	1,870.2	1,515.4	476.3	535.7	5,490.0	3,281.5	317.8	398.9	60.4	194.2	14,140.4
1999	1,906.4	1,553.3	480.1	542.7	5,688.1	3,357.4	328.4	408.6	61.3	204.9	14,531.2
2000	1,949.1	1,588.2	485.0	554.4	5,872.1	3,437.7	334.4	419.5	64.5	204.6	14,909.7
2001	1,942.4	1,632.1	472.4	557.9	5,962.7	3,474.5	334.4	423.3	65.9	211.3	15,076.8
2002	1,973.4	1,673.8	482.0	567.0	6,068.0	3,592.7	345.6	428.4	67.1	213.9	15,411.8

Employment Change('000), February 2003* — *Line represents Canada at 55.2*



** Current month over previous month (saadj)*

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2002 Jan	1,899.6	1,627.3	458.7	553.7	5,863.3	3,407.5	321.4	410.0	59.7	195.5	14,796.7
Feb	1,903.7	1,623.3	464.9	551.2	5,892.5	3,441.1	321.7	406.4	60.6	194.8	14,860.2
Mar	1,920.6	1,639.3	465.7	559.6	5,914.1	3,483.6	326.8	410.1	61.5	198.8	14,980.1
Apr	1,938.1	1,631.6	464.3	557.0	5,953.9	3,534.7	331.3	415.5	64.0	204.7	15,095.1
May	1,961.8	1,670.0	486.1	568.9	6,076.7	3,634.6	349.2	434.9	70.2	216.5	15,469.0
Jun	2,010.7	1,698.8	494.3	580.6	6,128.5	3,707.2	360.3	441.2	72.7	229.5	15,723.9
Jul	2,023.0	1,718.7	494.2	576.9	6,154.5	3,724.1	364.2	442.5	72.3	240.7	15,810.9
Aug	2,035.3	1,716.6	496.4	574.3	6,223.7	3,682.1	367.8	447.3	74.0	232.8	15,850.2
Sep	2,020.6	1,680.4	493.7	573.5	6,122.3	3,636.5	359.6	434.1	71.7	221.0	15,613.4
Oct	2,002.5	1,681.6	492.2	571.4	6,157.2	3,636.3	354.3	434.6	69.0	214.3	15,613.3
Nov	1,987.9	1,698.0	489.0	567.9	6,175.3	3,606.0	348.8	432.2	65.1	210.2	15,580.4
Dec	1,977.0	1,700.6	484.2	569.0	6,153.7	3,618.7	341.9	431.6	64.0	208.1	15,548.8
2003 Jan	1,944.5	1,667.5	475.5	555.4	6,080.7	3,534.3	329.7	417.7	61.4	199.6	15,266.3
Feb	1,971.3	1,677.4	475.5	556.6	6,120.1	3,564.4	329.6	417.4	62.1	201.1	15,375.7
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Jan-Feb02	1,901.7	1,625.3	461.8	552.5	5,877.9	3,424.3	321.6	408.2	60.2	195.2	14,828.5
Jan-Feb03	1,957.9	1,672.5	475.5	556.0	6,100.4	3,549.4	329.7	417.6	61.8	200.4	15,321.0
% Change	3.0	2.9	3.0	0.6	3.8	3.7	2.5	2.3	2.7	2.7	3.3
Jan-Feb02	1,938.1	1,650.0	473.9	563.0	5,988.8	3,525.8	341.6	424.7	65.9	212.9	15,184.2
Jan-Feb03	1,996.2	1,697.4	487.9	567.0	6,205.7	3,651.1	349.8	434.9	67.7	217.8	15,675.2
% Change	3.0	2.9	3.0	0.7	3.6	3.6	2.4	2.4	2.7	2.3	3.2

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Source: Statistics Canada

3b Employment Growth by Province (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1993	3.4	0.8	0.5	0.9	0.5	-0.1	1.5	-0.7	1.7	-0.8	0.8
1994	4.7	2.8	1.1	0.6	1.3	2.0	-0.4	1.5	1.8	0.2	2.0
1995	2.2	2.8	0.8	1.9	1.8	1.5	3.2	1.0	3.4	1.1	1.9
1996	1.6	2.9	-0.4	-0.1	1.0	-0.1	-1.2	0.3	2.8	-3.8	0.8
1997	2.6	3.5	2.7	1.3	2.6	1.6	1.5	1.6	0.5	1.2	2.3
1998	0.1	3.9	1.3	1.9	3.3	2.7	2.3	3.8	2.0	2.6	2.7
1999	1.9	2.5	0.8	1.3	3.6	2.3	3.3	2.4	1.5	5.5	2.8
2000	2.2	2.2	1.0	2.2	3.2	2.4	1.8	2.7	5.2	-0.1	2.6
2001	-0.3	2.8	-2.6	0.6	1.5	1.1	0.0	0.9	2.2	3.3	1.1
2002	1.6	2.6	2.0	1.6	1.8	3.4	3.3	1.2	1.8	1.2	2.2
2002 Jan	-0.1	2.3	-2.4	1.6	0.2	1.7	0.2	2.3	1.0	2.4	0.8
Feb	-1.2	1.2	0.2	0.8	1.0	1.9	2.7	-0.1	0.3	1.9	0.9
Mar	-1.4	2.6	-0.2	2.1	1.1	2.9	5.6	1.4	0.7	3.0	1.5
Apr	0.1	1.5	-0.2	1.4	0.7	3.7	4.2	1.8	5.4	3.2	1.5
May	-1.2	1.3	2.3	1.3	0.8	4.4	3.8	3.1	1.6	0.1	1.6
Jun	1.3	1.7	2.7	2.6	1.1	4.5	2.9	1.8	0.1	1.3	2.2
Jul	2.1	3.6	1.5	2.5	1.3	3.8	3.2	-0.5	0.1	3.2	2.3
Aug	3.7	3.6	1.2	2.1	2.3	3.3	3.1	1.5	2.6	1.9	2.8
Sep	3.9	2.3	4.1	1.7	2.9	3.1	4.1	1.0	3.9	0.6	2.9
Oct	4.1	2.6	4.7	1.1	3.2	3.2	3.0	0.0	2.4	-1.2	3.1
Nov	3.8	3.7	5.3	1.0	3.3	3.6	3.9	0.8	1.6	-1.1	3.3
Dec	4.1	4.2	5.4	1.4	3.3	4.8	3.7	1.5	2.6	-0.3	3.7
2003 Jan	2.4	2.5	3.7	0.3	3.7	3.7	2.6	1.9	2.8	2.1	3.2
Feb	3.6	3.3	2.3	1.0	3.9	3.6	2.5	2.7	2.5	3.2	3.5
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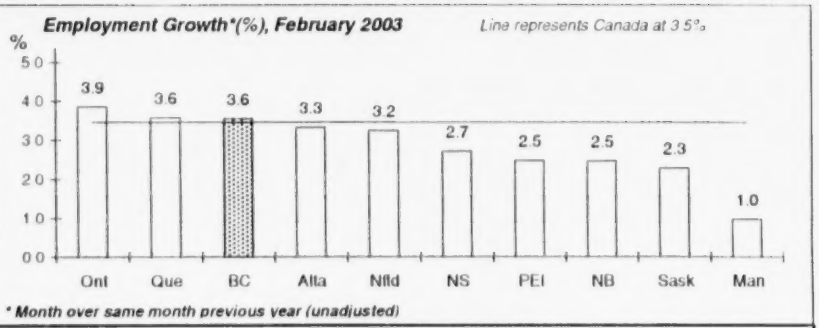

* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2002 Jan	1.3	0.9	1.0	0.2	0.2	0.9	1.2	0.0	-0.8	-0.5	0.6
Feb	-0.4	-0.6	1.2	-0.9	0.3	0.3	0.3	-0.7	0.6	-0.3	0.0
Mar	0.6	0.6	-0.2	1.2	0.3	0.7	1.4	0.5	0.3	1.4	0.5
Apr	0.6	-0.1	-0.3	-0.7	0.0	0.8	-0.1	0.4	2.7	0.9	0.2
May	-0.6	0.3	1.3	0.2	0.3	0.5	-0.2	0.8	-2.2	-1.4	0.2
Jun	1.5	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.1	0.2	-0.4	-0.5	0.2	1.7	0.4
Jul	0.7	1.4	-0.5	0.0	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.9	-0.4	-0.8	0.2
Aug	0.7	0.0	0.5	-0.3	0.7	-0.2	0.1	1.2	1.5	0.0	0.4
Sep	0.0	-0.9	1.1	0.3	0.5	0.3	1.4	-0.1	1.3	-1.4	0.2
Oct	-0.2	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.4	-0.4	0.0	-1.0	-0.8	0.2
Nov	0.0	1.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.5	0.1	-1.0	0.3
Dec	-0.1	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.3	2.1	0.3
2003 Jan	-0.2	-0.7	-0.7	-0.8	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.5	-0.4	1.6	0.0
Feb	0.6	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.4

Note: growth rates for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, growth rates are calculated as month over previous month.

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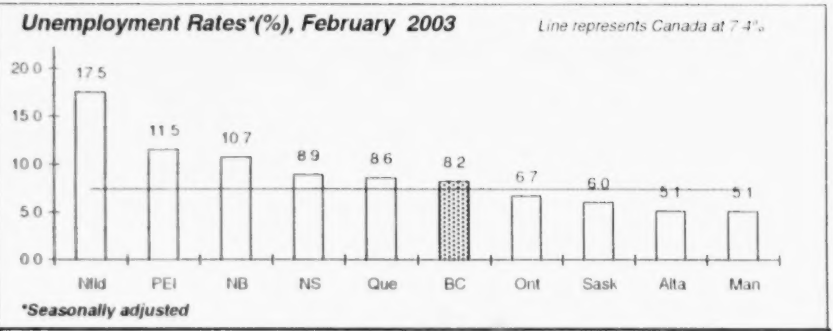
Source: Statistics Canada

4a Provincial Unemployment Rates (%)

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1993	9.7	9.6	8.2	9.3	10.9	13.3	12.5	14.3	17.6	20.4	11.4
1994	9.0	8.7	6.8	8.6	9.6	12.3	12.4	13.5	17.2	20.2	10.4
1995	8.4	7.8	6.6	7.2	8.7	11.4	11.2	12.1	15.0	18.1	9.4
1996	8.7	6.9	6.6	7.2	9.0	11.9	11.6	12.3	14.7	19.3	9.6
1997	8.4	5.8	5.9	6.5	8.4	11.4	12.7	12.1	15.4	18.6	9.1
1998	8.8	5.6	5.7	5.5	7.2	10.3	12.2	10.5	13.8	18.0	8.3
1999	8.3	5.7	6.1	5.6	6.3	9.3	10.2	9.6	14.4	16.9	7.6
2000	7.2	5.0	5.2	4.9	5.7	8.4	10.0	9.1	12.0	16.7	6.8
2001	7.7	4.6	5.8	5.0	6.3	8.7	11.2	9.7	11.9	16.1	7.2
2002	8.5	5.3	5.7	5.2	7.1	8.6	10.4	9.7	12.1	16.9	7.7



	Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2002 Jan	9.6	5.2	6.5	5.6	7.8	10.3	12.8	10.9	17.8	19.3	8.6
Feb	9.3	5.3	6.1	6.3	7.4	10.1	13.1	11.3	17.8	19.2	8.4
Mar	9.3	5.2	6.2	5.5	7.6	9.5	12.4	11.0	15.2	18.7	8.3
Apr	9.0	5.7	6.6	5.9	7.0	9.2	12.4	11.0	14.7	17.7	8.0
May	9.3	6.0	6.2	4.9	7.2	8.3	10.5	10.0	9.8	18.5	7.8
Jun	8.2	5.1	4.9	4.3	6.7	7.7	8.7	8.5	8.1	15.5	7.1
Jul	8.3	5.5	5.7	5.3	7.6	8.3	9.5	9.8	10.5	13.8	7.7
Aug	7.9	5.5	5.9	5.7	7.6	8.4	9.4	9.2	9.4	14.9	7.7
Sep	7.5	5.2	4.7	4.1	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.9	8.7	14.6	7.0
Oct	7.7	5.4	5.0	4.8	6.6	7.4	8.8	8.2	9.3	16.2	6.9
Nov	8.5	5.0	5.3	5.1	6.2	8.4	9.6	8.9	12.4	17.1	7.1
Dec	8.1	4.6	5.3	4.6	6.5	8.2	10.2	8.6	13.2	17.9	7.1
2003 Jan	9.0	6.0	6.5	5.4	7.1	9.4	11.5	10.3	15.4	20.2	8.1
Feb	8.7	5.2	6.4	5.6	7.1	9.5	12.8	9.7	14.6	19.2	8.0
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Jan-Feb02	9.5	5.3	6.3	6.0	7.6	10.2	13.0	11.1	17.8	19.3	8.5
Jan-Feb03	8.9	5.6	6.5	5.5	7.1	9.5	12.2	10.0	15.0	19.7	8.1
	8.2	5.3	5.9	5.0	6.8	8.5	10.5	9.2	11.3	17.7	7.4

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Source: Statistics Canada

4b Provincial Employment Rates (%)

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1993	60.2	64.9	61.2	60.8	59.5	54.0	51.7	51.6	53.9	42.7	58.0
1994	61.2	65.8	61.7	61.1	59.6	54.6	51.3	52.1	54.1	42.8	58.4
1995	60.7	66.7	61.8	62.0	59.9	55.0	52.7	52.4	55.3	43.5	58.8
1996	60.0	67.3	61.0	61.7	59.7	54.6	51.8	52.2	56.2	42.1	58.5
1997	60.1	67.9	62.3	62.3	60.2	55.0	52.3	52.6	55.9	42.8	59.0
1998	59.2	68.5	62.7	63.3	61.2	56.1	53.3	54.3	56.6	44.2	59.7
1999	59.7	68.4	62.9	63.7	62.4	57.0	54.8	55.2	56.8	46.7	60.6
2000	60.2	68.6	63.5	64.6	63.3	57.9	55.4	56.1	58.9	46.5	61.4
2001	59.2	69.0	62.0	64.7	63.1	58.1	55.2	56.3	59.6	48.1	61.2
2002	59.4	69.1	63.5	65.6	63.0	59.5	56.9	56.7	60.0	48.7	61.8
	Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2002 Jan	57.5	67.9	60.3	64.1	61.4	56.7	53.0	54.4	53.7	44.5	59.7
Feb	57.6	67.6	61.1	63.8	61.6	57.2	53.0	53.9	54.4	44.3	59.9
Mar	58.0	68.2	61.3	64.8	61.8	57.9	53.9	54.4	55.2	45.2	60.3
Apr	58.4	67.7	61.1	64.5	62.1	58.7	54.6	55.1	57.4	46.6	60.7
May	59.1	69.2	64.0	65.8	63.3	60.3	57.5	57.6	62.9	49.3	62.1
Jun	60.5	70.2	65.1	67.2	63.7	61.5	59.3	58.4	65.1	52.3	63.1
Jul	60.8	70.9	65.1	66.7	63.9	61.7	59.9	58.5	64.6	54.9	63.3
Aug	61.1	70.7	65.4	66.4	64.5	61.0	60.5	59.1	66.1	53.0	63.4
Sep	60.6	69.1	65.1	66.3	63.3	60.2	59.1	57.3	64.0	50.4	62.4
Oct	60.0	69.0	64.9	66.1	63.6	60.1	58.2	57.4	61.4	48.8	62.3
Nov	59.5	69.6	64.5	65.7	63.7	59.6	57.3	57.1	57.9	47.9	62.2
Dec	59.1	69.6	63.9	65.8	63.4	59.8	56.2	57.0	56.9	47.4	62.0
2003 Jan	58.1	68.1	62.8	64.2	62.6	58.3	54.2	55.1	54.5	45.5	60.8
Feb	58.9	68.4	62.8	64.4	63.0	58.8	54.2	55.1	55.1	45.8	61.2
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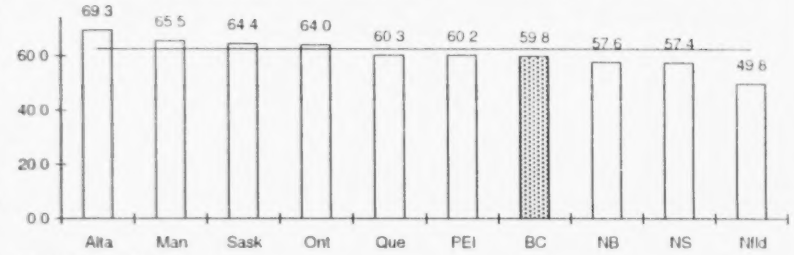
Average:											
Jan-Feb02	57.6	67.8	60.7	64.0	61.5	57.0	53.0	54.2	54.1	44.4	59.8
Jan-Feb03	58.5	68.3	62.8	64.3	62.8	58.6	54.2	55.1	54.8	45.7	61.0

Employment Rates*(%), February 2003

Line represents Canada at 62.5%



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Source: Statistics Canada

5a BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1993	146.6	498.8	263.9	922.4	26.8	50.8	23.8	102.1	133.2	418.0	194.0	753.5	18.1	40.7	18.3	77.6	279.9	916.8	457.9	1,675.9	45.0	91.6	42.1	179.7
1994	145.2	511.2	281.2	957.1	30.3	50.0	23.3	104.2	135.8	434.1	217.2	797.0	17.5	38.4	13.7	69.9	280.9	945.3	498.4	1,754.0	47.7	88.4	37.0	174.1
1995	143.9	525.2	297.3	980.3	27.1	48.3	18.8	94.9	136.4	438.7	229.3	812.0	18.8	36.1	15.2	70.4	280.3	963.9	526.5	1,792.3	45.9	84.4	34.0	165.3
1996	139.8	536.8	306.9	999.4	26.2	48.9	20.7	96.7	133.0	451.0	230.8	821.7	18.8	41.0	16.4	76.7	272.9	987.8	537.8	1,821.2	45.0	89.9	37.1	173.4
1997	138.3	540.2	319.4	1,013.0	27.7	47.8	20.5	96.9	133.5	464.1	249.4	856.0	20.8	36.2	17.0	74.4	271.8	1,004.3	568.9	1,869.0	48.6	84.0	37.5	171.3
1998	133.0	531.0	317.7	1,001.0	31.5	51.6	24.3	108.4	127.9	463.6	267.2	869.2	23.0	35.4	14.0	72.6	260.9	994.6	584.9	1,870.2	54.5	87.0	38.2	181.0
1999	138.3	526.1	335.9	1,019.1	26.5	49.6	23.2	100.4	136.5	462.3	279.7	887.3	19.4	36.4	16.3	72.3	274.8	988.4	615.6	1,906.4	45.8	86.1	39.5	172.8
2000	141.2	529.8	353.2	1,041.6	25.5	38.1	21.1	85.1	139.7	461.2	298.5	907.5	18.8	31.3	15.2	65.6	280.9	991.0	651.7	1,949.1	44.3	69.4	36.3	150.6
2001	140.9	517.9	358.3	1,032.6	26.7	44.8	23.0	95.5	140.6	456.4	303.7	909.8	17.6	32.5	15.0	65.7	281.5	974.3	662.0	1,942.4	44.3	77.3	38.0	161.1
2002	144.9	509.9	370.1	1,045.9	29.1	47.3	27.5	105.0	144.5	455.4	317.1	927.5	21.5	38.4	18.8	79.4	289.4	965.3	687.2	1,973.4	50.6	85.7	46.3	184.4
2002 Jan	133.6	497.3	354.3	1,002.6	28.1	61.1	32.3	123.9	133.2	452.7	300.3	897.0	18.8	37.5	20.6	78.1	266.8	950.1	654.6	1,899.6	46.9	98.6	52.9	201.9
Feb	132.8	497.7	360.1	1,009.1	30.9	62.5	25.7	121.0	134.0	447.2	304.4	894.6	14.6	37.4	20.5	73.2	266.8	944.9	664.4	1,903.7	45.5	99.9	46.2	194.2
Mar	133.6	501.0	363.4	1,016.1	32.0	57.2	32.4	123.4	134.2	450.3	305.3	904.5	17.3	35.5	19.6	73.3	267.8	951.3	668.7	1,920.6	49.4	92.7	52.0	196.8
Apr	139.5	498.7	364.1	1,023.8	26.6	57.6	29.4	114.9	136.3	453.7	311.7	914.3	18.4	39.7	16.3	76.2	275.8	952.4	675.9	1,938.1	44.9	97.3	45.7	191.0
May	144.7	501.6	366.9	1,036.8	31.4	54.3	34.2	120.5	139.6	461.9	311.5	925.0	23.6	37.6	19.1	80.8	284.2	963.5	678.4	1,961.8	55.0	91.9	53.3	201.2
Jun	155.9	513.8	369.5	1,063.1	25.8	44.9	27.4	99.1	149.5	467.9	321.0	947.7	28.5	32.4	19.3	80.3	305.4	981.8	690.4	2,010.7	54.2	77.3	46.7	179.4
Jul	166.6	523.1	373.9	1,083.2	33.2	38.7	25.2	97.3	158.9	453.3	318.9	939.7	27.3	38.1	18.8	84.8	325.5	976.4	692.8	2,023.0	60.5	76.8	44.0	182.1
Aug	170.0	522.3	377.7	1,091.7	27.5	40.1	20.1	89.0	165.8	446.3	320.6	943.6	25.9	40.1	20.8	86.7	335.8	968.7	698.3	2,035.3	53.4	80.1	40.9	175.7
Sep	149.3	524.2	377.0	1,074.6	24.2	34.9	22.1	81.6	147.3	460.1	328.4	946.0	21.5	43.7	16.4	82.0	296.6	984.3	705.5	2,020.6	45.7	78.6	38.5	163.6
Oct	140.6	519.8	383.5	1,064.6	24.8	38.9	22.8	86.7	141.0	460.5	327.6	937.9	25.3	37.8	17.8	81.3	281.6	980.3	711.1	2,002.5	50.1	76.7	40.5	168.1
Nov	134.5	514.6	380.7	1,051.2	33.5	36.8	28.2	100.0	145.2	455.1	326.8	936.7	21.7	43.3	18.0	83.5	279.7	969.7	707.5	1,987.9	55.2	80.1	46.2	183.6
Dec	137.8	504.5	370.3	1,033.8	31.2	40.3	30.1	102.8	148.8	455.6	328.6	943.2	15.0	37.9	19.0	72.2	286.7	960.1	698.8	1,977.0	46.2	78.2	49.1	174.9
2003 Jan	133.5	502.3	367.8	1,027.3	32.8	40.0	29.3	102.5	138.2	442.2	326.5	917.1	21.1	47.4	19.8	89.0	271.7	944.5	694.4	1,944.5	54.0	87.3	49.1	191.6
Feb	135.7	509.2	376.8	1,044.8	29.3	44.2	29.2	103.1	141.0	448.5	326.8	926.5	19.5	38.9	24.6	83.7	276.7	957.6	703.6	1,971.3	48.8	83.1	53.9	186.8
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Jan-Feb02	133.2	497.5	357.2	1,005.9	29.5	61.8	29.0	122.5	133.6	450.0	302.4	895.8	16.7	37.5	20.6	75.7	266.8	947.5	659.5	1,901.7	46.2	99.3	49.6	198.1
Jan-Feb03	134.6	505.8	372.3	1,036.1	31.1	42.1	29.3	102.8	139.6	445.4	326.7	921.8	20.3	43.2	22.2	86.4	274.2	951.1	699.0	1,957.9	51.4	85.2	51.5	189.2
% Change	1.1	1.7	4.2	3.0	5.3	-31.9	0.9	-16.0	4.5	-1.0	8.0	2.9	21.6	15.2	8.0	14.1	2.8	0.4	6.0	3.0	11.3	-14.2	3.9	-4.5

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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Source: Statistics Canada

5b BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1993	72.4	93.7	79.2	74.6	15.4	9.2	8.3	10.0	65.5	78.0	59.8	59.0	12.0	8.9	8.6	9.3	69.0	85.9	69.6	66.7	13.9	9.1	8.4	9.7
1994	71.7	93.1	80.2	74.9	17.3	8.9	7.7	9.8	65.5	78.5	61.8	59.8	11.4	8.1	5.9	8.1	68.7	85.8	71.1	67.2	14.5	8.6	6.9	9.0
1995	68.7	92.7	79.8	73.7	15.9	8.4	5.9	8.8	65.3	77.2	62.3	59.1	12.1	7.6	6.2	8.0	67.0	85.0	71.1	66.3	14.1	8.1	6.1	8.4
1996	65.3	92.3	79.4	72.9	15.8	8.3	6.3	8.8	62.6	78.2	60.3	58.6	12.4	8.3	6.6	8.5	64.0	85.3	69.9	65.7	14.2	8.3	6.5	8.7
1997	63.6	91.8	79.4	72.2	16.7	8.1	6.0	8.7	61.4	78.4	62.4	59.1	13.5	7.2	6.4	8.0	62.6	85.1	70.9	65.6	15.2	7.7	6.2	8.4
1998	62.4	91.4	77.0	71.2	19.1	8.9	7.1	9.8	59.4	78.1	63.3	58.8	15.2	7.1	5.0	7.7	60.9	84.7	70.2	64.9	17.3	8.0	6.1	8.8
1999	62.1	91.3	78.1	71.2	16.1	8.6	6.5	9.0	60.9	78.7	64.1	59.2	12.4	7.3	5.5	7.5	61.5	85.0	71.1	65.1	14.3	8.0	6.0	8.3
2000	62.1	90.7	78.6	70.7	15.3	6.7	5.6	7.6	61.1	78.2	65.3	59.2	11.9	6.4	4.8	6.7	61.6	84.4	71.9	64.9	13.6	6.5	5.3	7.2
2001	61.6	90.5	77.4	69.9	15.9	8.0	6.0	8.5	60.2	77.8	63.9	58.5	11.1	6.6	4.7	6.7	60.9	84.1	70.6	64.1	13.6	7.4	5.4	7.7
2002	63.2	90.3	77.9	70.5	16.7	8.5	6.9	9.1	62.2	79.0	64.9	59.5	13.0	7.8	5.6	7.9	62.7	84.6	71.4	64.9	14.9	8.2	6.3	8.5
2002 Jan	59.1	90.2	77.0	69.4	17.4	10.9	8.4	11.0	57.4	78.3	63.1	58.0	12.4	7.6	6.4	8.0	58.2	84.2	70.0	63.6	15.0	9.4	7.5	9.6
Feb	59.8	90.6	76.6	69.5	18.9	11.2	6.7	10.7	56.0	77.4	63.7	57.5	9.8	7.7	6.3	7.6	57.9	83.9	70.1	63.4	14.6	9.6	6.5	9.3
Mar	60.4	90.3	78.4	70.0	19.3	10.2	8.2	10.8	57.1	77.6	63.5	58.1	11.4	7.3	6.0	7.5	58.8	83.9	70.9	63.9	15.6	8.9	7.2	9.3
Apr	60.5	90.0	77.6	69.9	16.0	10.4	7.5	10.1	58.1	78.8	63.9	58.7	11.9	8.0	5.0	7.7	59.3	84.3	70.7	64.2	14.0	9.3	6.3	9.0
May	64.1	89.9	78.9	71.0	17.8	9.8	8.5	10.4	61.2	79.8	64.2	59.6	14.5	7.5	5.8	8.0	62.7	84.9	71.5	65.2	16.2	8.7	7.3	9.3
Jun	66.0	90.5	77.9	71.2	14.2	8.0	6.9	8.5	66.7	80.0	65.9	60.8	16.0	6.5	5.7	7.8	66.4	85.2	71.8	65.9	15.1	7.3	6.3	8.2
Jul	72.6	91.0	78.1	72.2	16.6	6.9	6.3	8.2	69.7	78.6	65.1	60.5	14.7	7.8	5.6	8.3	71.2	84.8	71.5	66.3	15.7	7.3	6.0	8.3
Aug	71.7	91.2	77.6	72.1	13.9	7.1	5.1	7.5	71.7	77.9	65.6	60.8	13.5	8.2	6.1	8.4	71.7	84.5	71.6	66.4	13.7	7.6	5.5	7.9
Sep	62.9	90.8	77.6	70.6	13.9	6.2	5.5	7.1	63.0	80.8	66.1	60.6	12.7	8.7	4.8	8.0	62.9	85.7	71.8	65.5	13.4	7.4	5.2	7.5
Oct	59.9	90.8	78.8	70.2	15.0	7.0	5.6	7.5	62.0	79.9	66.0	60.0	15.2	7.6	5.2	8.0	61.0	85.3	72.4	65.0	15.1	7.3	5.4	7.7
Nov	60.8	89.7	79.1	70.2	19.9	6.7	6.9	8.7	62.2	80.1	65.8	60.0	13.0	8.7	5.2	8.2	61.5	84.9	72.4	65.0	16.5	7.6	6.1	8.5
Dec	61.1	88.8	77.3	69.2	18.5	7.4	7.5	9.0	61.1	79.4	66.1	59.7	9.2	7.7	5.5	7.1	61.1	84.0	71.6	64.4	13.9	7.5	6.6	8.1
2003 Jan	60.1	88.6	76.4	68.8	19.7	7.4	7.4	9.1	59.3	78.8	65.6	59.1	13.2	9.7	5.7	8.8	59.7	83.7	71.0	63.8	16.6	8.5	6.6	9.0
Feb	59.6	90.5	77.9	69.8	17.8	8.0	7.2	9.0	59.7	78.5	66.5	59.3	12.1	8.0	7.0	8.3	59.6	84.5	72.1	64.5	15.0	8.0	7.1	8.7
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Jan-Feb02	59.5	90.4	76.8	69.5	18.2	11.1	7.6	10.9	56.7	77.9	63.4	57.8	11.1	7.7	6.4	7.8	58.1	84.1	70.1	63.5	14.8	9.5	7.0	9.5
Jan-Feb03	59.9	89.6	77.2	69.3	18.8	7.7	7.3	9.1	59.5	78.7	66.1	59.2	12.7	8.9	6.4	8.6	59.7	84.1	71.6	64.2	15.8	8.3	6.9	8.9

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Source: Statistics Canada

5c BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men						Women						Total					
	Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1993	146.6	775.8	922.4	26.8	75.2	102.1	133.2	620.2	753.5	18.1	59.5	77.6	279.9	1,396.0	1,675.9	45.0	134.7	179.7
1994	145.2	811.9	957.1	30.3	73.9	104.2	135.8	661.2	797.0	17.5	52.4	69.9	280.9	1,473.1	1,754.0	47.7	126.3	174.1
1995	143.9	836.4	980.3	27.1	67.8	94.9	136.4	675.6	812.0	18.8	51.6	70.4	280.3	1,512.0	1,792.3	45.9	119.4	165.3
1996	139.8	859.6	999.4	26.2	70.5	96.7	133.0	688.7	821.7	18.8	57.8	76.7	272.9	1,548.3	1,821.2	45.0	128.3	173.4
1997	138.3	874.7	1,013.0	27.7	69.2	96.9	133.5	722.5	856.0	20.8	53.6	74.4	271.8	1,597.2	1,869.0	48.6	122.8	171.3
1998	133.0	868.0	1,001.0	31.5	76.9	108.4	127.9	741.3	869.2	23.0	49.6	72.6	260.9	1,609.3	1,870.2	54.5	126.4	181.0
1999	138.3	880.8	1,019.1	26.5	73.9	100.4	136.5	750.7	887.3	19.4	53.0	72.3	274.8	1,631.6	1,906.4	45.8	126.9	172.8
2000	141.2	900.4	1,041.6	25.5	59.6	85.1	139.7	767.8	907.5	18.8	46.7	65.6	280.9	1,668.2	1,949.1	44.3	106.3	150.6
2001	140.9	891.7	1,032.6	26.7	68.8	95.5	140.6	769.2	909.8	17.6	48.0	65.7	281.5	1,660.8	1,942.4	44.3	116.8	161.1
2002	144.9	901.0	1,045.9	29.1	75.9	105.0	144.5	783.0	927.5	21.5	57.9	79.4	289.4	1,684.0	1,973.4	50.6	133.8	184.4
2002 Jan	143.1	887.3	1,030.4	29.6	82.9	112.5	138.9	773.1	912.0	19.5	55.7	75.2	281.9	1,660.5	1,942.4	49.1	138.6	187.7
Feb	142.2	884.8	1,027.1	28.7	84.4	113.1	139.1	767.6	906.7	16.8	55.0	71.8	281.3	1,652.4	1,933.7	45.5	139.4	184.9
Mar	143.4	891.5	1,034.9	30.2	83.2	113.4	139.3	771.1	910.4	19.9	58.5	78.4	282.6	1,662.7	1,945.3	50.1	141.7	191.8
Apr	144.7	895.4	1,040.1	26.1	82.0	108.2	141.3	775.8	917.1	19.5	58.3	77.8	286.0	1,671.2	1,957.2	45.7	140.3	186.0
May	138.2	890.3	1,028.5	29.1	89.6	118.7	136.5	779.8	916.2	23.5	61.3	84.9	274.7	1,670.1	1,944.8	52.6	151.0	203.6
Jun	144.7	900.5	1,045.1	28.1	73.7	101.8	144.8	784.2	929.0	26.8	58.7	85.5	289.4	1,684.7	1,974.1	54.9	132.5	187.4
Jul	143.8	908.4	1,052.2	31.1	68.6	99.8	147.3	788.3	935.7	21.2	55.8	76.9	291.2	1,696.7	1,987.8	52.3	124.4	176.7
Aug	149.8	909.6	1,059.4	26.9	64.4	91.3	153.2	789.0	942.2	22.4	52.4	74.8	303.1	1,698.5	2,001.6	49.3	116.8	166.1
Sep	150.8	912.8	1,063.5	27.4	68.0	95.4	148.6	789.1	937.8	20.1	62.5	82.7	299.4	1,701.9	2,001.3	47.5	130.5	178.1
Oct	146.7	914.5	1,061.3	27.6	69.6	97.3	144.7	791.9	936.6	24.8	59.4	84.2	291.5	1,706.4	1,997.9	52.4	129.0	181.5
Nov	144.1	911.6	1,055.7	31.2	71.8	103.0	149.1	792.5	941.6	22.8	60.1	82.9	293.2	1,704.1	1,997.2	54.0	131.9	185.9
Dec	146.0	904.4	1,050.4	32.6	72.2	104.7	150.2	794.0	944.2	19.8	57.8	77.6	296.2	1,698.4	1,994.6	52.4	129.9	182.3
2003 Jan	143.8	911.3	1,055.1	33.7	58.7	92.5	145.1	790.1	935.2	21.6	63.0	84.6	288.9	1,701.4	1,990.3	55.4	121.7	177.0
Feb	145.1	917.1	1,062.1	27.7	67.5	95.2	146.4	793.5	939.9	22.2	60.8	82.9	291.5	1,710.5	2,002.0	49.9	128.2	178.1
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Average:																		
Jan-Feb02	142.7	886.1	1,028.8	29.2	83.7	112.8	139.0	770.4	909.4	18.2	55.4	73.5	281.6	1,656.5	1,938.1	47.3	139.0	186.3
Jan-Feb03	144.5	914.2	1,058.6	30.7	63.1	93.9	145.8	791.8	937.6	21.9	61.9	83.8	290.2	1,706.0	1,996.2	52.7	125.0	177.6
% Change	1.3	3.2	2.9	5.3	-24.6	-16.8	4.9	2.8	3.1	20.7	11.8	13.9	3.1	3.0	3.0	11.3	-10.1	-4.7

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

5d BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men									Women									Total								
	Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1993	72.4	75.0	74.6	15.4	8.8	10.0	61.2	68.4	67.1	65.5	57.7	59.0	12.0	8.8	9.3	57.7	52.7	53.5	69.0	66.2	66.7	13.9	8.8	9.7	59.5	60.4	60.2
1994	71.7	75.5	74.9	17.3	8.3	9.8	59.4	69.2	67.5	65.5	58.7	59.8	11.4	7.3	8.1	58.1	54.4	55.0	68.7	67.0	67.2	14.5	7.9	9.0	58.7	61.7	61.2
1995	68.7	74.7	73.7	15.9	7.5	8.8	57.8	69.1	67.2	65.3	58.0	59.1	12.1	7.1	8.0	57.4	53.9	54.4	67.0	66.2	66.3	14.1	7.3	8.4	57.6	61.3	60.7
1996	65.3	74.5	72.9	15.8	7.6	8.8	55.0	68.8	66.5	62.6	57.8	58.6	12.4	7.7	8.5	54.8	53.3	53.6	64.0	66.0	65.7	14.2	7.7	8.7	54.9	61.0	60.0
1997	63.6	73.9	72.2	16.7	7.3	8.7	53.0	68.5	65.9	61.4	58.6	59.1	13.5	6.9	8.0	53.2	54.6	54.4	62.6	66.1	65.6	15.2	7.1	8.4	53.1	61.4	60.1
1998	62.4	73.0	71.2	19.1	8.1	9.8	50.5	67.0	64.2	59.4	58.7	58.8	15.2	6.3	7.7	50.4	55.1	54.3	60.9	65.7	64.9	17.3	7.3	8.8	50.4	60.9	59.2
1999	62.1	73.0	71.2	16.1	7.7	9.0	52.1	67.3	64.8	60.9	58.9	59.2	12.4	6.6	7.5	53.3	55.1	54.8	61.5	65.8	65.1	14.3	7.2	8.3	52.7	61.1	59.7
2000	62.1	72.5	70.7	15.3	6.2	7.6	52.6	68.0	65.4	61.1	58.9	59.2	11.9	5.7	6.7	53.9	55.5	55.2	61.6	65.5	64.9	13.6	6.0	7.2	53.2	61.6	60.2
2001	61.6	71.6	69.9	15.9	7.2	8.5	51.8	66.5	64.0	60.2	58.2	58.5	11.1	5.9	6.7	53.4	54.8	54.6	60.9	64.8	64.1	13.6	6.6	7.7	52.6	60.5	59.2
2002	63.2	71.9	70.5	16.7	7.8	9.1	52.7	66.3	64.0	62.2	59.0	59.5	13.0	6.9	7.9	54.1	55.0	54.8	62.7	65.3	64.9	14.9	7.4	8.5	53.4	60.5	59.4
2002 Jan	63.1	71.9	70.4	17.1	8.5	9.8	52.3	65.7	63.5	59.8	58.6	58.8	12.3	6.7	7.6	52.4	54.6	54.3	61.5	65.1	64.5	14.8	7.7	8.8	52.3	60.1	58.8
Feb	62.4	71.7	70.2	16.8	8.7	9.9	51.9	65.5	63.2	58.7	58.1	58.2	10.8	6.7	7.3	52.4	54.2	53.9	60.6	64.7	64.1	13.9	7.8	8.7	52.2	59.7	58.5
Mar	63.3	72.1	70.6	17.4	8.5	9.9	52.3	65.9	63.6	59.9	58.5	58.7	12.5	7.1	7.9	52.4	54.4	54.1	61.7	65.1	64.5	15.1	7.9	9.0	52.4	60.0	58.8
Apr	62.2	72.1	70.5	15.3	8.4	9.4	52.7	66.1	63.8	60.4	58.7	59.0	12.1	7.0	7.8	53.1	54.6	54.4	61.3	65.3	64.6	13.8	7.7	8.7	52.9	60.2	59.0
May	60.9	72.2	70.3	17.4	9.1	10.3	50.3	65.6	63.1	60.1	59.1	59.3	14.7	7.3	8.5	51.2	54.8	54.3	60.5	65.5	64.7	16.1	8.3	9.5	50.8	60.1	58.6
Jun	62.8	71.7	70.2	16.3	7.6	8.9	52.6	66.3	64.0	64.3	59.2	60.0	15.6	7.0	8.4	54.3	55.1	54.9	63.6	65.3	65.0	15.9	7.3	8.7	53.4	60.6	59.4
Jul	63.6	71.8	70.5	17.8	7.0	8.7	52.3	66.8	64.4	63.1	59.2	59.8	12.6	6.6	7.6	55.2	55.3	55.3	63.4	65.4	65.0	15.2	6.8	8.2	53.7	60.9	59.7
Aug	64.2	71.6	70.3	15.2	6.6	7.9	54.4	66.8	64.7	65.7	58.9	60.0	12.7	6.2	7.4	57.3	55.3	55.6	65.0	65.1	65.1	14.0	6.4	7.7	55.9	60.9	60.1
Sep	64.6	72.0	70.7	15.4	6.9	8.2	54.7	67.0	64.9	63.0	59.6	60.1	11.9	7.3	8.1	55.4	55.2	55.3	63.8	65.6	65.3	13.7	7.1	8.2	55.0	61.0	60.0
Oct	63.2	72.2	70.6	15.8	7.1	8.4	53.2	67.1	64.7	63.2	59.5	60.1	14.6	7.0	8.2	54.0	55.4	55.1	63.2	65.7	65.3	15.2	7.0	8.3	53.6	61.1	59.8
Nov	63.5	72.1	70.6	17.8	7.3	8.9	52.2	66.8	64.3	64.1	59.6	60.3	13.3	7.0	8.1	55.6	55.4	55.4	63.8	65.7	65.3	15.6	7.2	8.5	53.9	60.9	59.8
Dec	64.6	71.5	70.4	18.3	7.4	9.1	52.8	66.2	64.0	63.3	59.4	60.1	11.6	6.8	7.6	56.0	55.4	55.5	64.0	65.3	65.1	15.0	7.1	8.4	54.4	60.7	59.7
2003 Jan	64.1	71.0	69.8	19.0	6.1	8.1	52.0	66.7	64.2	62.0	59.5	59.9	13.0	7.4	8.3	54.0	55.1	54.9	63.1	65.1	64.8	16.1	6.7	8.2	53.0	60.8	59.5
Feb	62.4	72.0	70.4	16.0	6.9	8.2	52.4	67.1	64.6	62.7	59.5	60.0	13.2	7.1	8.1	54.4	55.3	55.2	62.6	65.6	65.1	14.6	7.0	8.2	53.4	61.0	59.8
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Average:																											
Jan-Feb02	62.8	71.8	70.3	17.0	8.6	9.9	52.1	65.6	63.4	59.3	58.4	58.5	11.6	6.7	7.5	52.4	54.4	54.1	61.1	64.9	64.3	14.4	7.8	8.8	52.3	59.9	58.7
Jan-Feb03	63.3	71.5	70.1	17.5	6.5	8.2	52.2	66.9	64.4	62.4	59.5	60.0	13.1	7.3	8.2	54.2	55.2	55.1	62.9	65.4	65.0	15.4	6.9	8.2	53.2	60.9	59.7

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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Source: Statistics Canada

6 BC Employment by Full-Time/Part-Time Status

	Men				Women				Total			
	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total
1993	821.8	100.7	922.4	10.9	523.5	229.9	753.5	30.5	1,345.3	330.6	1,675.9	19.7
1994	847.2	109.8	957.1	11.5	539.9	257.1	797.0	32.3	1,387.1	366.9	1,754.0	20.9
1995	872.2	108.1	980.3	11.0	561.9	250.1	812.0	30.8	1,434.1	358.2	1,792.3	20.0
1996	890.5	108.9	999.4	10.9	562.6	259.1	821.7	31.5	1,453.2	368.0	1,821.2	20.2
1997	898.2	114.9	1,013.0	11.3	580.7	275.3	856.0	32.2	1,478.9	390.1	1,869.0	20.9
1998	875.3	125.7	1,001.0	12.6	591.3	277.9	869.2	32.0	1,466.6	403.5	1,870.2	21.6
1999	888.1	131.1	1,019.1	12.9	606.4	280.8	887.3	31.6	1,494.5	411.9	1,906.4	21.6
2000	924.1	117.4	1,041.6	11.3	622.9	284.6	907.5	31.4	1,547.0	402.1	1,949.1	20.6
2001	907.0	125.6	1,032.6	12.2	622.9	286.9	909.8	31.5	1,529.9	412.4	1,942.4	21.2
2002	899.3	146.5	1,045.9	14.0	622.1	305.4	927.5	32.9	1,521.4	452.0	1,973.4	22.9
	seasonally adjusted											
2002 Jan	890.9	139.5	1,030.4	13.5	618.7	293.3	912.0	32.2	1,509.6	432.8	1,942.4	22.3
Feb	877.5	149.6	1,027.1	14.6	611.4	295.3	906.7	32.6	1,488.9	444.8	1,933.7	23.0
Mar	883.3	151.6	1,034.9	14.6	624.2	286.2	910.4	31.4	1,507.6	437.7	1,945.3	22.5
Apr	898.7	141.4	1,040.1	13.6	619.4	297.7	917.1	32.5	1,518.1	439.1	1,957.2	22.4
May	887.6	140.9	1,028.5	13.7	623.9	292.4	916.2	31.9	1,511.5	433.3	1,944.8	22.3
Jun	902.2	142.9	1,045.1	13.7	624.8	304.2	929.0	32.7	1,527.0	447.1	1,974.1	22.6
Jul	908.0	144.2	1,052.2	13.7	626.8	308.8	935.7	33.0	1,534.8	453.0	1,987.8	22.8
Aug	915.8	143.6	1,059.4	13.6	628.7	313.5	942.2	33.3	1,544.5	457.1	2,001.6	22.8
Sep	912.4	151.1	1,063.5	14.2	631.5	306.3	937.8	32.7	1,543.9	457.4	2,001.3	22.9
Oct	907.1	154.2	1,061.3	14.5	618.7	317.9	936.6	33.9	1,525.8	472.1	1,997.9	23.6
Nov	902.3	153.4	1,055.7	14.5	627.3	314.3	941.6	33.4	1,529.6	467.7	1,997.2	23.4
Dec	903.7	146.7	1,050.4	14.0	611.0	333.2	944.2	35.3	1,514.7	479.9	1,994.6	24.1
2003 Jan	908.2	146.8	1,055.1	13.9	608.0	327.2	935.2	35.0	1,516.2	474.1	1,990.3	23.8
Feb	924.0	138.2	1,062.1	13.0	604.1	335.8	939.9	35.7	1,528.0	474.0	2,002.0	23.7
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Average:												
Jan-Feb02	884.2	144.6	1,028.8	14.1	615.1	294.3	909.4	32.4	1,499.3	438.8	1,938.1	22.6
Jan-Feb03	916.1	142.5	1,058.6	13.5	606.1	331.5	937.6	35.4	1,522.1	474.1	1,996.2	23.7
% Change	3.6	-1.4	2.9		-1.5	12.6	3.1		1.5	8.0	3.0	

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Source: Statistics Canada

7a BC Employment by Industry

	All Industries		Total Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Other Primary		Utilities		Manufac-turing		Construc-tion	
	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg
1993	1,675.9		384.5		34.3		44.5		12.3		179.2		114.2	
1994	1,754.0	4.7	401.6	4.4	30.7	-10.5	49.0	10.1	12.6	2.4	183.7	2.5	125.6	10.0
1995	1,792.3	2.2	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	54.9	12.0	11	-12.7	188.7	2.7	125.1	-0.4
1996	1,821.2	1.6	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	54.7	-0.4	10.7	-2.7	195.1	3.4	119.5	-4.5
1997	1,869.0	2.6	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	54.5	-0.4	10.3	-3.7	197.0	1.0	122.9	2.8
1998	1,870.2	0.1	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	50.7	-7.0	11.4	10.7	196.0	-0.5	117.7	-4.2
1999	1,906.4	1.9	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	49.0	-3.4	11.5	0.9	192.2	-1.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	1,949.1	2.2	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	55.4	13.1	11.3	-1.7	205.4	6.9	112.5	-2.4
2001	1,942.4	-0.3	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	43.3	-21.8	11.7	3.5	196.2	-4.5	114.9	2.1
2002	1,973.4	1.6	399.0	1.8	30.1	16.2	38.9	-10.2	12.4	6.0	196.9	0.4	120.6	5.0
	seasonally adjusted													
2002 Jan	1,942.4		381.0		25.3		39.0		12.8		184.4		119.4	
Feb	1,933.7	-0.4	384.2	0.8	24.7	-2.4	38.8	-0.5	11.0	-14.1	195.1	5.8	114.6	-4.0
Mar	1,945.3	0.6	387.2	0.8	26.2	6.1	39.5	1.8	12.3	11.8	195.8	0.4	113.3	-1.1
Apr	1,957.2	0.6	388.6	0.4	26.2	0.0	38.2	-3.3	11.2	-8.9	196.2	0.2	116.8	3.1
May	1,944.8	-0.6	385.7	-0.7	28.5	8.8	36.1	-5.5	14.1	25.9	189.4	-3.5	117.5	0.6
Jun	1,974.1	1.5	392.8	1.8	30.4	6.7	34.9	-3.3	13.7	-2.8	196.1	3.5	117.7	0.2
Jul	1,987.8	0.7	401.9	2.3	30.2	-0.7	37.2	6.6	12.7	-7.3	200.9	2.4	120.7	2.5
Aug	2,001.6	0.7	408.7	1.7	31.8	5.3	38.7	4.0	12.1	-4.7	200.9	0.0	125.3	3.8
Sep	2,001.3	0.0	410.3	0.4	33.1	4.1	39.9	3.1	12.2	0.8	200.5	-0.2	124.6	-0.6
Oct	1,997.9	-0.2	414.7	1.1	33.5	1.2	41.6	4.3	11.4	-6.6	199.8	-0.3	128.4	3.0
Nov	1,997.2	0.0	413.8	-0.2	33.1	-1.2	40.8	-1.9	12.3	7.9	203.5	1.9	124.1	-3.3
Dec	1,994.6	-0.1	416.5	0.7	35.9	8.5	42.0	2.9	13.0	5.7	201.6	-0.9	123.9	-0.2
2003 Jan	1,990.3	-0.2	416.0	-0.1	33.4	-7.0	45.0	7.1	12.2	-6.2	201.3	-0.1	124.1	0.2
Feb	2,002.0	0.6	421.9	1.4	35.7	6.9	46.1	2.4	13.4	9.8	207.0	2.8	119.7	-3.5
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Average:														
Jan-Feb02	1,938.1		382.6		25.0		38.9		11.9		189.8		117.0	
Jan-Feb03	1,996.2		419.0		34.6		45.6		12.8		204.2		121.9	
% Change	3.0		9.5		38.2		17.1		7.6		7.6		4.2	

***NOTE**: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.*

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7b BC Employment by Industry

	Total Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Community and Personal Service								Public Administration	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health & Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Other Service	
	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg
1993	1,291.4		100.6		275.2		113.9		97.3		112.6		164.3		121.4		204.8		101.3	
1994	1,352.4	4.7	99.1	-1.5	289.4	5.2	118.0	3.6	101.1	3.9	120.4	6.9	170.8	4.0	129.2	6.4	224.3	9.5	100.1	-1.2
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	102.4	1.3	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	231.1	3.0	103.8	3.7
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	106.2	3.7	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	237.0	2.6	107.0	3.1
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	112.6	6.0	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	244.5	3.2	99.5	-7.0
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	124.1	10.2	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	254.4	4.0	93.1	-6.4
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	136.7	10.2	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	260.9	2.6	90.4	-2.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	136.4	-0.2	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	270.5	3.7	89.7	-0.8
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	141	3.4	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	277.9	2.7	88.8	-1.0
2002	1,574.4	1.5	110.1	3.0	319.0	3.1	118.9	2.3	136.7	-3.0	139.7	2.9	217.3	6.6	171.0	0.2	277.1	-0.3	84.7	-4.6
	seasonally adjusted																			
2002 Jan	1,561.4		106.4		311.2		115.6		137		138.7		215.3		175.1		278.5		83.5	
Feb	1,549.5	-0.8	107.0	0.6	311.9	0.2	111.7	-3.4	140.8	2.8	134.7	-2.9	210.2	-2.4	175.7	0.3	276.4	-0.8	81.0	-3.0
Mar	1,558.1	0.6	104.8	-2.1	303.2	-2.8	110.0	-1.5	136	-3.4	139.5	3.6	211.4	0.6	180.1	2.5	289.1	4.6	84.1	3.8
Apr	1,568.6	0.7	106.2	1.3	321.1	5.9	108.2	-1.6	134.9	-0.8	143.1	2.6	216.3	2.3	179.0	-0.6	278.4	-3.7	81.4	-3.2
May	1,559.1	-0.6	107.0	0.8	320.4	-0.2	111.5	3.0	135.8	0.7	138.9	-2.9	213.6	-1.2	173.1	-3.3	276.8	-0.6	82.1	0.9
Jun	1,581.4	1.4	109.4	2.2	319.0	-0.4	118.9	6.6	137.6	1.3	141.0	1.5	218.7	2.4	172.1	-0.6	280.2	1.2	84.5	2.9
Jul	1,586.0	0.3	113.0	3.3	323.8	1.5	118.8	-0.1	131.5	-4.4	141.7	0.5	222.4	1.7	170.2	-1.1	277.1	-1.1	87.6	3.7
Aug	1,593.0	0.4	108.7	-3.8	323.5	-0.1	123.5	4.0	135.8	3.3	147.0	3.7	218.0	-2.0	167.0	-1.9	283.4	2.3	86.1	-1.7
Sep	1,591.1	-0.1	116.7	7.4	323.8	0.1	123.9	0.3	142.7	5.1	141.9	-3.5	218.0	0.0	166.1	-0.5	269.1	-5.0	88.8	3.1
Oct	1,583.2	-0.5	114.9	-1.5	322.0	-0.6	128.4	3.6	134.9	-5.5	137.7	-3.0	223.8	2.7	165.1	-0.6	269.0	0.0	87.3	-1.7
Nov	1,583.5	0.0	111.7	-2.8	321.6	-0.1	127.8	-0.5	137.2	1.7	136.1	-1.2	220.9	-1.3	167.1	1.2	276.1	2.6	84.8	-2.9
Dec	1,578.1	-0.3	115.4	3.3	324.9	1.0	128.9	0.9	135.5	-1.2	138.2	1.5	219.6	-0.6	161.9	-3.1	269.5	-2.4	84.2	-0.7
2003 Jan	1,574.2	-0.2	116.7	1.1	328.3	1.0	128.4	-0.4	128.4	-5.2	148.4	7.4	207.5	-5.5	162.6	0.4	270.9	0.5	83.1	-1.3
Feb	1,580.1	0.4	116.6	-0.1	323.6	-1.4	127.9	-0.4	129	0.5	150.0	1.1	211.8	2.1	159.8	-1.7	272.1	0.4	89.4	7.6
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Average:																				
Jan-Feb02	1,555.5		106.7		311.6		113.7		138.9		136.7		212.8		175.4		277.5		82.3	
Jan-Feb03	1,577.2		116.7		326.0		128.2		128.7		149.2		209.7		161.2		271.5		86.3	
% Change	1.4		9.3		4.6		12.8		-7.3		9.1		-1.5		-8.1		-2.1		4.9	

***NOTE**: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.*

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8 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Occupation, Actual

	Management		Business Finance & Admin.		Natural & Applied Sciences		Health		Social Sci. Education Govt Service & Religion		Art Culture Recreation & Sport		Sales & Service		Trades Transport & Equipment Operators		Occupations Unique to Primary		Occupations Unique to Processing, Mfg & Utilities		All Occupations	
	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %
1993	162.8	3.3	322.9	5.5	81.7	5.3	91.4	2.0	104.8	3.9	43.1	6.5	434.6	8.7	285.0	10.6	69.3	15.2	80.2	9.7	1,675.9	9.7
1994	173.4	3.9	332.8	4.5	87.0	4.2	86.1	2.0	116.3	3.1	50.1	7.2	470.1	7.6	288.1	9.7	67.9	14.3	82.2	9.4	1,754.0	9.0
1995	177.5	3.1	339.0	4.4	89.5	4.0	89.5	2.4	112.2	3.2	53.9	4.6	486.2	6.4	291.6	9.6	65.6	15.7	87.4	8.4	1,792.3	8.4
1996	185.4	3.3	329.7	3.7	96.5	3.9	89.8	2.3	122.1	2.7	56.2	5.4	486.9	7.1	290.8	9.0	71.0	14.9	92.6	8.6	1,821.2	8.7
1997	181.5	2.9	342.0	3.7	102.0	3.2	95.8	1.8	124.0	2.7	56.5	6.5	501.1	5.8	304.3	7.1	68.7	15.7	93.0	7.9	1,869.0	8.4
1998	194.8	2.6	343.2	3.3	106.8	4.5	96.7	1.5	116.1	3.7	58.2	5.4	511.1	6.4	282.8	9.0	68.6	16.3	91.8	9.3	1,870.2	8.8
1999	197.8	2.4	347.8	3.6	119.5	3.3	95.3	1.7	125.8	2.6	67.4	4.1	510.9	6.7	282.7	7.8	65.3	14.6	93.8	7.6	1,906.4	8.3
2000	204.1	1.8	340.2	3.2	122.0	2.2	101.6	0.7	131.7	2.6	62.1	5.0	530.2	5.4	278.0	7.7	71.7	13.6	107.5	6.1	1,949.1	7.2
2001	174.3	2.6	340.4	4.1	118.5	4.7	103.6	1.8	130.1	3.1	59.5	5.9	566.0	5.4	280.1	7.5	63.8	13.4	106.1	8.7	1,942.4	7.7
2002	176.0	2.8	330.1	4.3	116.4	5.2	114.9	2.0	145.0	2.9	65.2	6.5	578.4	5.9	278.8	7.8	63.1	14.7	105.4	9.5	1,973.4	8.5
2002 Jan	168.8	3.1	321.8	4.0	122.1	6.1	105.9	2.4	142.8	1.6	66.4	4.0	560.5	6.3	263.2	12.0	46.6	23.9	101.6	12.0	1,899.6	9.6
Feb	182.9	3.4	323.0	3.6	114.2	6.5	99.8	4.9	142.9	1.8	58.7	4.9	576.8	6.0	259.3	11.3	46.2	19.7	99.9	10.8	1,903.7	9.3
Mar	179.0	3.1	329.0	3.4	117.7	4.4	105.2	1.9	150.0	1.0	69.0	6.6	560.6	6.7	261.3	11.4	48.7	16.9	100.1	13.2	1,920.6	9.3
Apr	187.8	2.4	327.5	5.0	110.6	5.7	114.7	1.1	158.2	1.2	65.6	3.7	559.8	6.1	261.2	8.2	52.6	24.7	100.1	7.6	1,938.1	9.0
May	188.0	3.3	328.9	5.8	111.4	6.1	112.9	2.7	146.1	2.1	64.2	9.4	568.0	6.0	280.6	6.8	60.2	20.1	101.6	11.6	1,961.8	9.3
Jun	189.9	1.4	332.1	5.0	119.2	5.5	113.3	2.3	142.2	2.9	64.4	6.3	588.8	4.9	286.1	6.7	66.9	15.4	107.8	8.7	2,010.7	8.2
Jul	178.3	3.3	328.2	4.9	114.2	5.4	126.0	1.3	126.9	5.2	70.7	5.0	598.3	5.9	296.1	5.2	71.1	7.7	113.2	7.6	2,023.0	8.3
Aug	158.0	3.8	337.7	4.6	118.4	2.8	123.1	2.1	135.3	8.8	71.4	4.4	591.9	5.6	304.8	5.2	80.8	6.6	114.0	8.4	2,035.3	7.9
Sep	164.5	2.8	334.6	3.9	114.8	4.9	115.6	3.2	152.5	4.1	65.7	8.8	598.6	4.7	290.3	5.3	78.7	7.3	105.3	6.9	2,020.6	7.5
Oct	163.9	3.0	326.5	3.6	118.9	4.4	121.0	1.4	148.9	1.5	64.0	6.4	583.2	6.8	290.0	5.5	74.5	11.9	111.6	6.1	2,002.5	7.7
Nov	176.5	2.1	328.2	5.0	117.8	6.2	121.7	1.1	144.6	2.0	59.4	7.0	588.9	6.2	278.1	8.2	63.9	17.1	108.8	7.6	1,987.9	8.5
Dec	174.4	2.5	343.6	3.5	118.1	4.4	119.1	0.5	149.9	2.1	63.5	9.3	565.6	5.9	274.7	8.2	66.8	12.7	101.2	13.0	1,977.0	8.1
2003 Jan	169.8	2.1	340.9	5.5	120.5	5.9	113.8	1.2	151.6	1.9	63.2	7.3	548.7	6.9	269.6	9.6	64.7	20.7	101.6	11.5	1,944.5	9.0
Feb	175.9	1.5	326.5	5.5	121.6	6.5	115.9	1.8	153.1	1.2	65.7	9.1	565.1	6.2	274.1	9.1	67.8	18.6	105.6	8.9	1,971.3	8.7
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Average:																						
Jan-Feb02	175.9	3.2	322.4	3.8	118.2	6.3	102.9	3.6	142.9	1.7	62.6	4.5	568.7	6.2	261.3	11.6	46.4	21.8	100.8	11.4	1,901.7	9.5
Jan-Feb03	172.9	1.8	333.7	5.5	121.1	6.2	114.9	1.5	152.4	1.5	64.5	8.2	556.9	6.6	271.9	9.4	66.3	19.7	103.6	10.2	1,957.9	8.9
% Change	-1.7		3.5		2.5		11.7		6.7		3.0		-2.1		4.1		42.8		2.8		3.0	

NOTES: *1. Occupation specific Unemployment Rates include only those unemployed who worked in the past year. The "All Occupations" rate incorporates total unemployed persons which includes an "Occupation Unclassified" category.*

2. Due to the relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: BC STATS ***Source: Statistics Canada***

9 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Region and Metropolitan Area

	British Columbia		Vancouver		Victoria		Development Regions											
							Vancouver Island/ Coast		Mainland/ Southwest		Thompson-Okanagan		Kootenay		Cariboo		North Coast & Nechako		Northeast	
	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %
1993	1,675.9	9.7	869.5	9.3	138.8	8.3												
1994	1,754.0	9.0	908.9	8.6	144.3	7.1												
1995	1,792.3	8.4	929.6	7.9	143.1	8.4	309.9	9.2	1055.8	7.9	194.7	10.2	69.7	8.0	80.4	9.7	49.1	8.2	32.7	6.6
1996	1,821.2	8.7	948.6	8.0	143.5	8.5	309.8	9.4	1073.4	8.3	201.1	10.4	65.7	8.7	86.8	8.6	51.9	7.5	32.4	7.2
1997	1,869.0	8.4	971.3	8.3	149.8	7.5	322.7	8.6	1104.0	8.3	207.7	8.3	65.7	9.3	84.0	9.8	51.8	9.1	33.1	4.6
1998	1,870.2	8.8	979.6	8.1	146.6	8.7	315.7	9.6	1113.4	8.1	208.2	8.2	70.6	11.8	83.3	14.5	47.4	9.5	31.7	NA
1999	1,906.4	8.3	1,005.4	7.8	154.2	6.7	329.1	8.0	1,140.1	7.8	207.1	9.7	69.5	9.0	82.9	11.6	46.7	8.8	30.8	8.9
2000	1,949.1	7.2	1,044.5	5.9	153.6	6.7	325.8	7.8	1,177.9	6.2	212.7	9.2	71.2	10.1	81.5	9.9	47.5	10.2	32.5	6.1
2001	1,942.4	7.7	1,051.1	6.6	148.9	6.1	305.3	9.1	1,187.9	6.6	213.7	9.2	71.9	9.6	83.0	9.7	47.4	10.9	33.2	5.9
2002	1,973.4	8.5	1,076.2	7.8	151.2	7.1	311.9	8.7	1,221.6	7.8	210.0	9.3	68.3	10.1	81.9	12.6	46.3	12.6	33.4	9.0
	3- month moving average, actual, ending in:																			
2002 Jan	1,905.0	9.1	1,033.7	8.2	153.2	6.4	306.9	10.1	1,169.2	8.3	198.3	9.8	70.7	10.4	83.5	11.8	44.9	13.5	31.5	8.7
Feb	1,901.0	9.4	1,029.5	8.5	151.7	7.4	307.5	10.4	1,165.2	8.6	197.4	10.2	70.1	10.1	83.7	12.1	45.2	13.6	31.9	8.1
Mar	1,908.0	9.4	1,031.5	8.4	151.2	7.9	309.3	10.2	1,168.3	8.5	199.3	10.3	69.5	10.8	82.9	13.0	45.5	14.6	33.1	7.3
Apr	1,920.8	9.2	1,038.7	8.2	151.1	7.6	313.0	9.4	1,178.5	8.2	201.7	10.4	66.9	11.7	81.7	13.3	45.5	15.8	33.4	7.7
May	1,940.1	9.2	1,052.5	8.3	151.6	6.9	315.5	8.7	1,194.8	8.3	205.5	10.3	66.3	11.1	80.0	14.7	45.2	16.1	32.9	10.1
Jun	1,970.2	8.8	1,069.8	8.0	150.8	6.9	317.1	8.4	1,214.8	8.0	212.8	10.1	66.5	9.9	80.8	13.6	45.4	15.0	32.8	11.6
Jul	1,998.5	8.6	1,085.7	7.9	151.2	7.0	315.7	8.3	1,233.6	7.9	217.0	9.6	69.6	8.0	81.8	13.7	47.1	12.9	33.6	10.6
Aug	2,023.0	8.1	1,100.8	7.3	151.8	7.2	314.4	8.6	1,252.2	7.3	219.1	9.6	71.0	7.6	83.1	12.6	48.8	10.8	34.4	9.2
Sep	2,026.3	7.9	1,108.3	7.2	152.9	6.9	312.7	8.4	1,260.0	7.3	216.7	8.8	69.9	7.9	83.1	12.2	49.3	9.4	34.6	7.7
Oct	2,019.5	7.7	1,104.1	7.4	152.4	6.7	313.8	7.6	1,254.7	7.4	217.4	7.9	68.4	9.1	83.8	10.4	47.6	9.5	33.9	8.1
Nov	2,003.7	7.9	1,102.4	7.7	150.2	6.5	310.6	7.5	1,250.4	7.6	215.0	7.5	66.6	10.4	82.1	10.7	45.8	10.7	33.2	9.0
Dec	1,989.2	8.1	1,095.1	7.7	149.8	6.4	308.7	7.7	1,243.3	7.6	211.2	8.0	67.2	11.7	80.7	11.9	45.0	11.6	33.2	9.3
2003 Jan	1,969.8	8.5	1,090.1	7.6	150.1	6.5	305.1	9.1	1,236.1	7.6	204.3	9.4	67.2	11.9	78.4	13.1	45.1	11.7	33.6	8.9
Feb	1,964.3	8.6	1,084.0	7.6	151.5	6.4	308.7	9.0	1,229.7	7.6	200.2	9.6	67.2	13.5	79.2	13.0	45.5	11.3	33.7	8.2
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Average:	year-to-date averages are based on monthly actual data																			
Jan-Feb02	1,901.7	9.5	1,028.4	8.4	150.9	8.2	307.5	10.6	1,164.0	8.6	198.3	10.3	70.3	10.1	83.6	12.7	45.5	13.8	32.7	7.7
Jan-Feb03	1,957.9	8.9	1,080.9	7.7	151.6	6.5	309.6	9.4	1,225.0	7.8	197.9	10.2	67.4	13.3	79.0	13.6	45.5	11.2	33.5	8.5
% Change	3.0		5.1		0.5		0.7		5.2		-0.2		-4.1		-5.5		0.1		2.5	

NOTE: Geographic boundaries changed on January 1, 1995.

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Source: Statistics Canada

10 BC Employment by Class of Worker

	Total Employment		Employees						Self-Employed	
			Total		Public		Private			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1993	1,675.9		1,383.6		341.6		1,042.0		292.3	
1994	1,754.0	4.7	1,451.2	4.9	338.5	-0.9	1,112.8	6.8	302.8	3.6
1995	1,792.3	2.2	1,489.8	2.7	335.3	-0.9	1,154.5	3.7	302.5	-0.1
1996	1,821.2	1.6	1,499.8	0.7	330.7	-1.4	1,169.1	1.3	321.3	6.2
1997	1,869.0	2.6	1,507.6	0.5	332.0	0.4	1,175.5	0.5	361.4	12.5
1998	1,870.2	0.1	1,481.5	-1.7	328.9	-0.9	1,152.7	-1.9	388.6	7.5
1999	1,906.4	1.9	1,513.8	2.2	339.8	3.3	1,174.0	1.8	392.6	1.0
2000	1,949.1	2.2	1,583.0	4.6	354.6	4.4	1,228.4	4.6	366.1	-6.7
2001	1,942.4	-0.3	1,581.9	-0.1	354.4	-0.1	1,227.5	-0.1	360.4	-1.6
2002	1,973.4	1.6	1,598.5	1.0	354.8	0.1	1,243.7	1.3	374.9	4.0
	seasonally adjusted									
2002 Jan	1,942.4		1,575.1		352.4		1,222.7		367.3	
Feb	1,933.7	-0.4	1,572.0	-0.2	338.8	-3.9	1,233.2	0.9	361.7	-1.5
Mar	1,945.3	0.6	1,576.0	0.3	349.3	3.1	1,226.7	-0.5	369.3	2.1
Apr	1,957.2	0.6	1,581.8	0.4	349.2	0.0	1,232.6	0.5	375.3	1.6
May	1,944.8	-0.6	1,569.8	-0.8	349.1	0.0	1,220.7	-1.0	374.9	-0.1
Jun	1,974.1	1.5	1,596.3	1.7	354.2	1.5	1,242.1	1.8	377.8	0.8
Jul	1,987.8	0.7	1,608.5	0.8	359.7	1.6	1,248.8	0.5	379.3	0.4
Aug	2,001.6	0.7	1,623.0	0.9	360.9	0.3	1,262.1	1.1	378.7	-0.2
Sep	2,001.3	0.0	1,626.5	0.2	365.5	1.3	1,261.0	-0.1	374.8	-1.0
Oct	1,997.9	-0.2	1,612.2	-0.9	360.3	-1.4	1,251.9	-0.7	385.7	2.9
Nov	1,997.2	0.0	1,612.9	0.0	357.2	-0.9	1,255.7	0.3	384.4	-0.3
Dec	1,994.6	-0.1	1,624.8	0.7	359.3	0.6	1,265.5	0.8	369.8	-3.8
2003 Jan	1,990.3	-0.2	1,625.0	0.0	362.0	0.8	1,263.0	-0.2	365.3	-1.2
Feb	2,002.0	0.6	1,637.7	0.8	377.2	4.2	1,260.5	-0.2	364.3	-0.3
Mar										
Apr										
May										
Jun										
Jul										
Aug										
Sep										
Oct										
Nov										
Dec										
Average:										
Jan-Feb02	1,938.1		1,573.6		345.6		1,228.0		364.5	
Jan-Feb03	1,996.2		1,631.4		369.6		1,261.8		364.8	
% Change	3.0		3.7		6.9		2.8		0.1	

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Labour Force Statistics

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Reference Week

Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment, and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

Labour Force

The labour force is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) did any work at all, or (b) had a job but were not at work due to own illness or disability, personal or family responsibilities, bad weather, labour dispute, vacation, or other reason not specified above (excluding persons whose job attachment was to a job to start at a definite date in the future).

Unemployment

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with the reference week), and were available for work; or (b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had been on layoff and were available for work; or (c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Unemployment Rate

The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a per-centage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number of unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

Participation Rate

The participation rate represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the labour force for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Employment Rate

The employment rate(employment/population ratio) is the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the employment for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Rounding

Estimates published by the Labour Force Survey are rounded to the nearest thousand but all derived values (totals, averages, rates, ratios, percent changes, etc.) are calculated from unrounded figures. Therefore, the sum of the individual rounded items may not equal the total. Unadjusted estimates rounded to hundreds are available from BC STATS on request.

Seasonal Adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods, and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

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HIGHLIGHTS

- **B.C. seasonally-adjusted employment increased by 17,700 in March following an 11,700 increase in February**. As a result of the job growth, the unemployment rate fell to 7.7 per cent in March from 8.2 per cent in February.
- **Seasonally-adjusted employment increased in the B.C. goods producing sectors by 13,400 in March. This increase was shared by all goods industries.** Service sector employment increased by 4,300 in March. Increases in transportation and warehousing, education and other services were partly offset by declines in retail and wholesale trade and public administration employment. There was little change in other service industries.
- **In March, seasonally-adjusted employment increased for men by 13,700 and for women by 4,000 with the increase in full-time employment outweighing a decline in part-time employment for both sexes.** Overall, full-time employment rose by 34,400 and part-time employment declined by 16,700.
- **Canadian seasonally-adjusted employment increased by 14,200 in March.** Employment increased substantially in B.C. (17,700) and Ontario (17,100) and decreased by 20,800 in Quebec. There was little change in employment in the other provinces.

Selected Statistics (SA)*	Mar. 2003	Feb. 2003	Mar. 2002
B.C. Unemployment Rate	7.7%	8.2%	9.0%
Canada Unemployment Rate	7.3%	7.4%	7.7%
B.C. Help Wanted Index (1996=100)	82.9	85.1	94.8
B.C. Employment - Change from prev. mo.	0.9%	0.6%	-
B.C. Labour Force - Change from prev. mo.	0.3%	0.6%	-
B.C. Labour Force Participation Rate	65.3%	65.1%	64.5%

* Unless otherwise indicated, all labour force variables are seasonally adjusted.

Note: The Help-wanted Index will be terminated with the publication of the April 2003 reference month on May 6, 2003. Many users have expressed concern over its performance in recent years, especially in light of the growing use of the Internet by employers as a means of posting job openings.

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The British Columbia Labour Market - First Quarter 2003

Summary . . . Seasonally adjusted employment in British Columbia rose 7,400 in the first quarter of 2003 from the 4th quarter of 2002. Employment has been rising in B.C. since the fourth quarter 2001, with a net increase of 84,100 over the last five quarters.

The rise in employment in the first quarter of 2003 out-paced labour force growth. As a result, the first quarter unemployment rate was reduced to 8.0 per cent from 8.4 per cent in the fourth quarter of 2002.

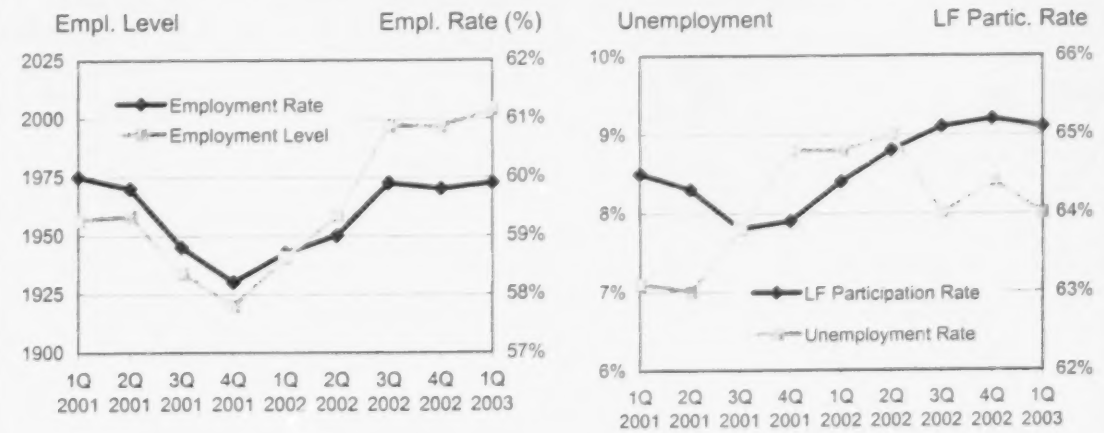
Goods sector employment (led by manufacturing) has increased for the past five consecutive quarters and now stands at the highest historical level. Services sector employment declined for the second consecutive quarter with employment declines of 10,400 since third quarter 2002.

Regionally, actual data for the first quarter of 2003 compared to the same period in 2002 shows improvement in employment for all regions except Kootenay and Cariboo, which experienced generally weaker labour market conditions on this year-over-year basis.

Employment and Employment Rates . . . The left hand graph in Figure 1 shows that employment has resumed growth after a pause in the fourth quarter 2002. Employment for men accounted for all of the increase in the latest quarter (up 8,500) while employment for women decreased by 1,100. The proportion of persons aged 15 and older who were employed (employment rate) rose only slightly to 59.9 per cent from 59.8 per cent. The employment rate has generally remained below 60.0 per cent since it peaked at 60.5 per cent in the fourth quarter of 2000.

Unemployment and Labour Force Participation . . . The unemployment rate dropped from 8.4 per cent to 8.0 per cent in the first quarter of 2003. Unemployment rates in B.C. in the last three quarters have been well below rates of nearly 9.0 per cent in the previous three quarters (see Figure 1 right-hand graph). The unemployment rate in the first quarter of 2003 was 7.9 per cent for men and 8.1 per cent for women. The right-hand graph also shows that labour force participation leveled off at just over 65.0 per cent in the last three quarters, after rising from a low of 63.8 per cent in the third quarter 2001.

Figure 1: B.C. Employment Level/Rate, Unemployment Rate; Labour Force Participation Rate
First Quarter 2001 to First Quarter 2003 (seasonally adjusted)



Employment by Industrial Classification . . . Figure 2 shows quarterly net changes by industry in seasonally adjusted employment over the last four quarters. It also shows the percentage change in average employment level between the first quarter of 2003 to the first quarter of 2002.

Employment in the *goods sector* continued to have positive growth for the fifth straight quarter, reversing the declining trend seen in the previous seven quarters. In the latest quarter, increases were seen in all goods sectors except construction.

Between first quarter 2002 and first quarter 2003, employment in the goods sector was up by 10.5 per cent, compared to a 1.5 per cent increase in the services sector.

Within the goods sector, all industries saw an employment increase over the last four quarters with agriculture and other primary (forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas) showing the highest average percentage growth.

Employment in the *services sector* was down for the second consecutive quarter. A substantial employment gain was seen in education services (up 13,400) in the first quarter of 2003, following a loss in the previous quarter. The diverse health and social assistance sector (which includes non-profit, private and public employers) sustained the most significant employment decrease in the first quarter 2003 (down 11,100) followed by professional, scientific and technical services (down 6,400).

Over the last four quarters, services sector employment grew by 1.5 per cent. All of this gain was in the second and third quarters of 2002. The finance, insurance & real estate sector saw the largest percentage increase in employment among services over the last year (up 13.9 per cent). By contrast, accommodation and food services saw the largest percentage loss in employment (down 9.2 per cent), or a net decline of 16,300 jobs.

Figure 2: B.C. Employment by Industrial Classification
First Quarter 2002 to First Quarter 2003 (seasonally adjusted)

	Employment Level	*Net Change from previous quarter*				*Per Cent Change*
	1Q03 (000's)	*2Q02*	*3Q02*	*4Q02*	*1Q03*	*1Q02 to 1Q03*
Total	**2,004.0**	**18,200**	**38,200**	**-300**	**7,400**	**3.3%**
Goods Sector	**424.4**	**4,900**	**18,000**	**8,000**	**9,400**	**10.5%**
Agriculture	36.2	3,000	3,300	2,500	2,000	42.7%
Other Primary	46.8	-2,700	2,200	2,900	5,300	19.7%
Utilities	13.4	1,000	-700	-100	1,200	11.7%
Construction	121.9	1,500	6,200	2,000	-3,600	5.2%
Manufacturing	206.1	2,100	6,900	800	4,500	7.5%
Service Sector	**1,579.6**	**13,400**	**20,300**	**-8,400**	**-2,000**	**1.5%**
Retail & Wholesale Trade	323.5	11,400	3,500	-900	700	4.8%
Transportation & Warehousing	117.7	1,400	5,300	1,200	3,700	10.9%
Finance, Insur. & Real Estate	128.0	500	9,200	6,300	-400	13.9%
Prof. Scientific & Technical	129.5	-1,800	600	-800	-6,400	-6.1%
Management of Companies	78.3	2,300	-3,300	-300	4,900	4.8%
Education Services	150.7	3,400	2,500	-6,200	13,400	9.5%
Health & Social Assistance	210.3	3,900	3,300	1,900	-11,100	-0.9%
Information, Culture & rec.	101.3	-2,300	6,800	-7,100	-1,700	-4.0%
Accommodation & Food	160.7	-2,300	-6,900	-3,100	-4,000	-9.2%
Other Services	93.5	-2,900	-5,500	2,400	-1,600	-7.5%
Public Administration	86.2	-200	4,800	-2,100	800	3.9%

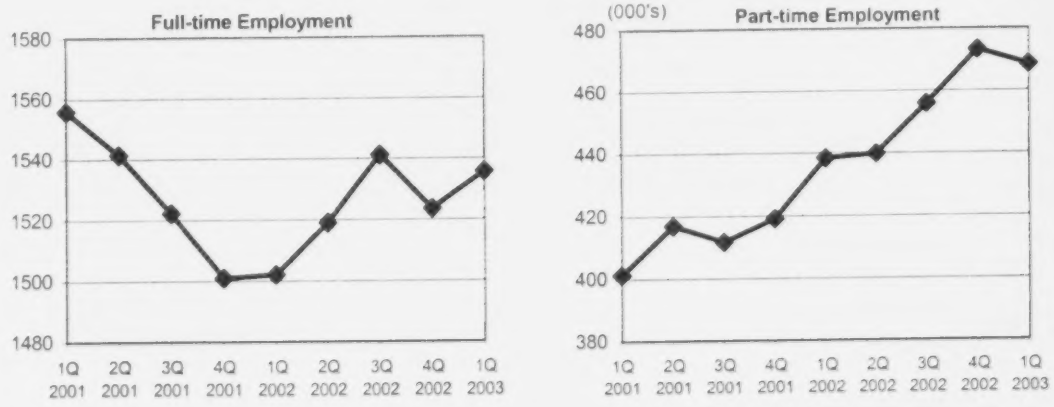
* The sum of the industries may not add to the provincial total due to rounding

Full and Part-time Employment . . . Figure 3 shows that seasonally adjusted full-time employment rebounded in the first quarter 2003 after a decline in the fourth quarter 2002. Full-time employment was up 20,700 for men and down 8,500 women in the first quarter of 2003.

Seasonally-adjusted part-time employment (those working less than 30 hours per week) decreased by 4,700 in the first quarter of 2003, breaking an upward trend over the previous five quarters. Part-time employment for men declined by 12,200 whereas part-time employment for women increased by almost 7,500.

When comparing the first quarter of 2003 to the first quarter of 2002, full-time employment in B.C. increased by 33,500 (2.2 per cent), and part-time employment increased by 30,100 (6.9 per cent). On this same year-over-year quarterly basis, men accounted for all of the full-time employment gains, and women accounted for all of the part-time employment gains.

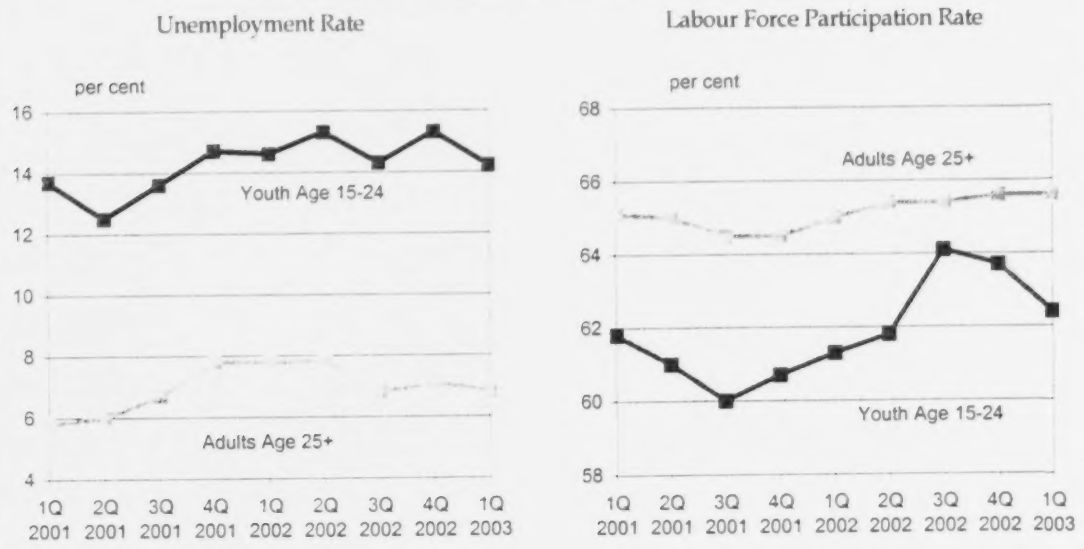
Figure 3: B.C. Quarterly Full-time and Part-time Employment Levels
First Quarter 2001 to First Quarter 2002 (seasonally adjusted)



Youth and Adult Unemployment and Labour Force Participation . . . The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for adults aged 25+ (see Figure 4 left-hand graph) fell to 6.8 per cent from 7.1 per cent in the fourth quarter of 2002. The youth unemployment rate in B.C. dropped to 14.2 per cent in the first quarter of 2003 from 15.3 per cent in the previous quarter. Youth unemployment rates have remained above 14.0 per cent for the last six quarters.

Over the past two quarters, the adult labour force participation rate held steady at 65.6 per cent, the highest rate over the last nine quarters (see Figure 4 right-hand graph). Youth participation in the labour force has fallen off in the last two quarters, declining to 62.4 per cent from a peak of 64.1 per cent in the third quarter 2002. The high unemployment rate for youth and the decrease in their labour force participation rate in the latest two quarters suggest labour market conditions are not improving for youth at this time.

Figure 4: B.C. Youth and Adult Unemployment Rates and Labour Force Participation Rates
First Quarter 2001 to First Quarter 2003 (seasonally adjusted)



Regional . . . Actual estimates for labour market levels and changes by development region are noted in Figure 5 which compares the first quarter of 2003 to the same period in 2002. Seasonally adjusted data is not available on a regional basis from Statistics Canada.

Positive actual *employment* growth for the first quarter of 2003 from the same period in 2002 was seen in all regions except the Kootenay and Cariboo. Overall provincial employment rose by 3.3 per cent over this period.

The Lower Mainland/Southwest experienced both the fastest growth and the largest net employment increase (up 61,100) since the first quarter of 2002. Employment in the Vancouver Island/Coast region was up 5,100.

Actual average *unemployment rates* for the first quarter of this year compared to the same quarter in 2002 declined in all regions except the Kootenay and Cariboo.

The proportion of the working age population who were employed increased in all regions except the Kootenay and Cariboo in the first quarter 2003. The overall increase in employment and fall in unemployment rate, suggest positive and improving economic conditions in most regions in B.C. over the last four quarters.

Figure 5 - Regional Labour Market Changes
First Quarter 2002 compared to First Quarter 2003, Actual

Development Regions	Employment (000's)			Unemployment Rate			Employment/Pop. Ratio		
	1st Quarter 2002	1st Quarter 2003	% Change	1st Quarter 2002	1st Quarter 2003	Absolute Change	1st Quarter 2002	1st Quarter 2003	Absolute Change
Vancouver Island/Coast	307.9	313.0	1.7%	10.2%	9.0%	-1.2%	54.3%	54.8%	0.5%
Lower Mainland/S.W.	1167.6	1228.7	5.2%	8.5%	7.4%	-1.1%	59.5%	61.3%	1.8%
Thompson/Okanagan	198.3	201.7	1.7%	10.1%	9.7%	-0.4%	50.9%	51.4%	0.5%
Kootenay	70.1	68.2	-2.7%	10.4%	14.4%	4.0%	55.9%	54.5%	-1.4%
Cariboo	83.4	79.9	-4.2%	12.3%	12.8%	0.5%	61.3%	59.4%	-1.9%
North Coast/Nechako	45.2	46.0	1.7%	13.9%	11.4%	-2.5%	60.5%	62.5%	2.0%
Northeast	32.2	33.8	5.0%	8.0%	7.3%	-0.7%	66.6%	71.0%	4.4%
B.C. Total	**1908.0**	**1971.3**	**3.3%**	**9.4%**	**8.5%**	**-0.9%**	**57.7%**	**58.9%**	**1.2%**

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1 Summary for March 2003--Actual and Seasonally Adjusted

	Current March 2003		Previous Month February 2003		One Year Ago March 2002		Change from February 2003		Change from March 2002	
	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.
British Columbia										
Working Age Population ('000)	3351.0		3347.9		3310.9		0.1%		1.2%	
Labour Force ('000)	2169.0	2187.6	2158.1	2180.1	2117.3	2137.1	0.5%	0.3%	2.4%	2.4%
Employment ('000)	1998.2	2019.7	1971.3	2002.0	1920.6	1945.3	1.4%	0.9%	4.0%	3.8%
Unemployment ('000)	170.7	167.9	186.8	178.1	196.8	191.8	-8.6%	-5.7%	-13.3%	-12.5%
Employment Rate[1]	59.6%	60.3%	58.9%	59.8%	58.0%	58.8%				
Unemployment Rate	7.9%	7.7%	8.7%	8.2%	9.3%	9.0%				
Participation Rate	64.7%	65.3%	64.5%	65.1%	63.9%	64.5%				
Canada										
Working Age Population ('000)	25,145.9		25,125.1		24,840.2		0.1%		1.2%	
Labour Force ('000)	16,743.3	16,963.7	16,710.0	16,960.6	16,334.3	16,543.0	0.2%	0.0%	2.5%	2.5%
Employment ('000)	15,424.0	15,717.0	15,375.7	15,702.8	14,980.1	15,268.1	0.3%	0.1%	3.0%	2.9%
Unemployment ('000)	1,319.3	1,246.7	1,334.4	1,257.9	1,354.2	1,274.8	-1.1%	-0.9%	-2.6%	-2.2%
Employment Rate[1]	61.3%	62.5%	61.2%	62.5%	60.3%	61.5%				
Unemployment Rate	7.9%	7.3%	8.0%	7.4%	8.3%	7.7%				
Participation Rate	66.6%	67.5%	66.5%	67.5%	65.8%	66.6%				

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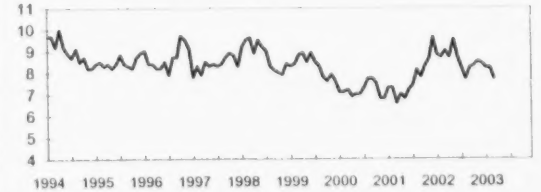

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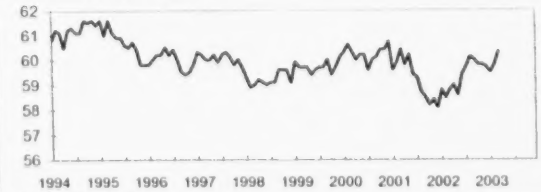

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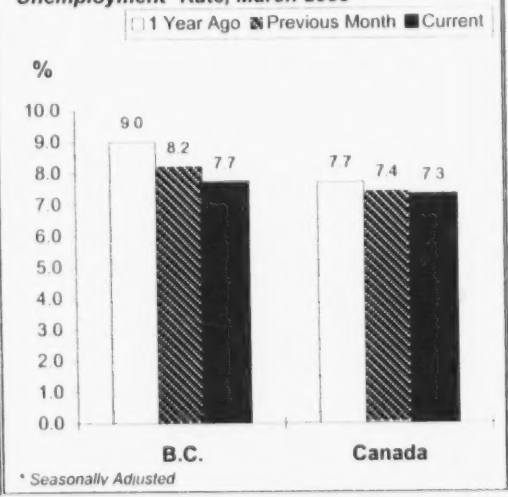
Unemployment* Rate, March 2003



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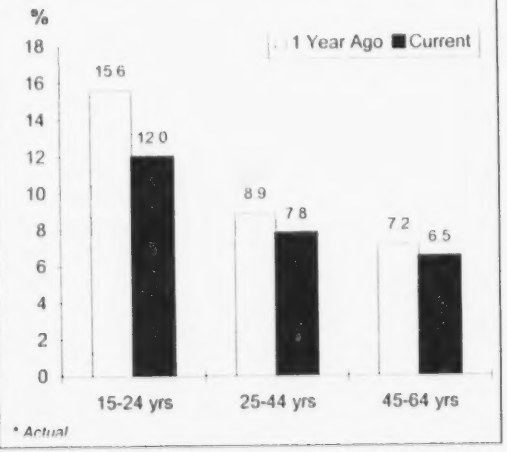
BC Unemployment* Rates by Age, March 2003



* Actual

[1] Employment rate is calculated as employment as a percent of the working age population.

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2 BC Monthly Labour Force Data

	Actual								Seasonally Adjusted							
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	(%)	(%)	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	(%)	(%)
1993	1,855.6		1,675.9		179.7		9.7	66.7								
1994	1,928.1	3.9	1,754.0	4.7	174.1	-3.1	9.0	67.2								
1995	1,957.6	1.5	1,792.3	2.2	165.3	-5.1	8.4	66.3								
1996	1,994.5	1.9	1,821.2	1.6	173.4	4.9	8.7	65.7								
1997	2,040.3	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	171.3	-1.2	8.4	65.6								
1998	2,051.2	0.5	1,870.2	0.1	181.0	5.7	8.8	64.9								
1999	2,079.1	1.4	1,906.4	1.9	172.8	-4.5	8.3	65.1								
2000	2,099.7	1.0	1,949.1	2.2	150.6	-12.8	7.2	64.9								
2001	2,103.5	0.2	1,942.4	-0.3	161.1	7.0	7.7	64.1								
2002	2,157.8	2.6	1,973.4	1.6	184.4	14.5	8.5	64.9								
2002 Jan	2,101.6	1.8	1,899.6	-0.1	201.9	23.2	9.6	63.6	2,130.1		1,942.4		187.7		8.8	64.5
Feb	2,097.9	0.5	1,903.7	-1.2	194.2	20.1	9.3	63.4	2,118.7	-0.5	1,933.7	-0.4	184.9	-1.5	8.7	64.1
Mar	2,117.3	1.2	1,920.6	-1.4	196.8	36.9	9.3	63.9	2,137.1	0.9	1,945.3	0.6	191.8	3.7	9.0	64.5
Apr	2,129.1	2.0	1,938.1	0.1	191.0	25.9	9.0	64.2	2,143.1	0.3	1,957.2	0.6	186.0	-3.0	8.7	64.6
May	2,163.0	1.6	1,961.8	-1.2	201.2	41.4	9.3	65.2	2,148.4	0.2	1,944.8	-0.6	203.6	9.5	9.5	64.7
Jun	2,190.1	2.8	2,010.7	1.3	179.4	23.3	8.2	65.9	2,161.5	0.6	1,974.1	1.5	187.4	-8.0	8.7	65.0
Jul	2,205.1	2.9	2,023.0	2.1	182.1	12.6	8.3	66.3	2,164.6	0.1	1,987.8	0.7	176.7	-5.7	8.2	65.0
Aug	2,210.9	3.1	2,035.3	3.7	175.7	-2.6	7.9	66.4	2,167.7	0.1	2,001.6	0.7	166.1	-6.0	7.7	65.1
Sep	2,184.2	4.3	2,020.6	3.9	163.6	8.7	7.5	65.5	2,179.4	0.5	2,001.3	0.0	178.1	7.2	8.2	65.3
Oct	2,170.6	4.1	2,002.5	4.1	168.1	4.5	7.7	65.0	2,179.3	0.0	1,997.9	-0.2	181.5	1.9	8.3	65.3
Nov	2,171.5	3.9	1,987.9	3.8	183.6	4.9	8.5	65.0	2,183.1	0.2	1,997.2	0.0	185.9	2.4	8.5	65.3
Dec	2,151.9	2.7	1,977.0	4.1	174.9	-10.8	8.1	64.4	2,176.9	-0.3	1,994.6	-0.1	182.3	-1.9	8.4	65.1
2003 Jan	2,136.0	1.6	1,944.5	2.4	191.6	-5.1	9.0	63.8	2,167.3	-0.4	1,990.3	-0.2	177.0	-2.9	8.2	64.8
Feb	2,158.1	2.9	1,971.3	3.6	186.8	-3.8	8.7	64.5	2,180.1	0.6	2,002.0	0.6	178.1	0.6	8.2	65.1
Mar	2,169.0	2.4	1,998.2	4.0	170.7	-13.3	7.9	64.7	2,187.6	0.3	2,019.7	0.9	167.9	-5.7	7.7	65.3
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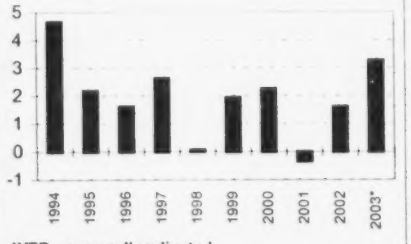
Jan-Mar02	2,105.6		1,908.0		197.6		9.4	63.6	2,128.6		1,940.5		188.1		8.8	64.4
Jan-Mar03	2,154.4		1,971.3		183.0		8.5	64.3	2,178.3		2,004.0		174.3		8.0	65.1
% Change	2.3		3.3		-7.4				2.3		3.3		-7.3			

% Change in Employment, Annual Avg



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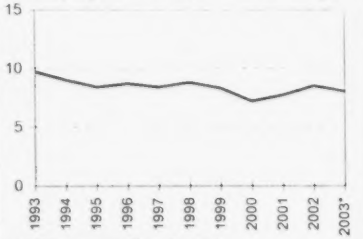

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* Per cent changes for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, per cent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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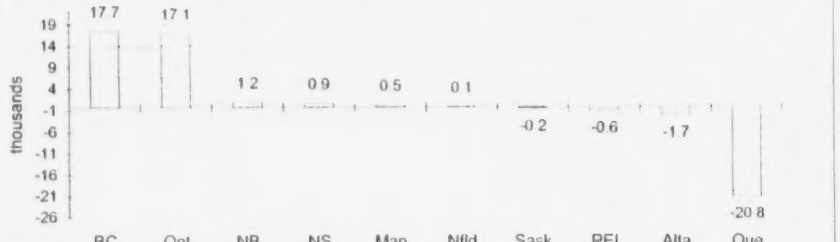
Source: Statistics Canada

3a Employment ('000) by Province

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1993	1,675.9	1,294.8	450.8	506.5	4,973.8	3,039.9	301.5	367.9	54.4	191.9	12,857.5
1994	1,754.0	1,331.6	455.7	509.5	5,039.2	3,100.6	300.2	373.3	55.4	192.2	13,111.7
1995	1,792.3	1,369.3	459.4	519.0	5,130.6	3,147.5	309.9	377.1	57.3	194.3	13,356.9
1996	1,821.2	1,408.4	457.5	518.6	5,180.8	3,145.9	306.2	378.1	58.9	187.0	13,462.6
1997	1,869.0	1,457.9	470.0	525.6	5,313.4	3,195.1	310.7	384.3	59.2	189.3	13,774.4
1998	1,870.2	1,515.4	476.3	535.7	5,490.0	3,281.5	317.8	398.9	60.4	194.2	14,140.4
1999	1,906.4	1,553.3	480.1	542.7	5,688.1	3,357.4	328.4	408.6	61.3	204.9	14,531.2
2000	1,949.1	1,588.2	485.0	554.4	5,872.1	3,437.7	334.4	419.5	64.5	204.6	14,909.7
2001	1,942.4	1,632.1	472.4	557.9	5,962.7	3,474.5	334.4	423.3	65.9	211.3	15,076.8
2002	1,973.4	1,673.8	482.0	567.0	6,068.0	3,592.7	345.6	428.4	67.1	213.9	15,411.8

Employment Change('000), March 2003* — *Line represents Canada at 14.2*



** Current month over previous month (saadi)*

	Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2002 Jan	1,899.6	1,627.3	458.7	553.7	5,863.3	3,407.5	321.4	410.0	59.7	195.5	14,796.7	1,942.4	1,655.0	471.1	565.5	5,980.6	3,520.0	341.0	426.1	65.7	213.2	15,180.5
Feb	1,903.7	1,623.3	464.9	551.2	5,892.5	3,441.1	321.7	406.4	60.6	194.8	14,860.2	1,933.7	1,644.9	476.6	560.4	5,996.9	3,531.6	342.1	423.2	66.1	212.5	15,187.9
Mar	1,920.6	1,639.3	465.7	559.6	5,914.1	3,483.6	326.8	410.1	61.5	198.8	14,980.1	1,945.3	1,654.2	475.6	567.1	6,014.0	3,557.9	346.8	425.5	66.3	215.5	15,268.1
Apr	1,938.1	1,631.6	464.3	557.0	5,953.9	3,534.7	331.3	415.5	64.0	204.7	15,095.1	1,957.2	1,652.7	474.0	563.1	6,014.1	3,584.6	346.6	427.4	68.1	217.4	15,305.0
May	1,961.8	1,670.0	486.1	568.9	6,076.7	3,634.6	349.2	434.9	70.2	216.5	15,469.0	1,944.8	1,657.5	480.0	564.0	6,030.6	3,604.1	345.9	430.7	66.6	214.4	15,338.4
Jun	2,010.7	1,698.8	494.3	580.6	6,128.5	3,707.2	360.3	441.2	72.7	229.5	15,723.9	1,974.1	1,667.9	482.3	568.5	6,039.1	3,611.3	344.6	428.7	66.7	218.0	15,401.2
Jul	2,023.0	1,718.7	494.2	576.9	6,154.5	3,724.1	364.2	442.5	72.3	240.7	15,810.9	1,987.8	1,691.2	480.1	568.6	6,051.9	3,600.4	343.5	424.7	66.4	216.2	15,430.8
Aug	2,035.3	1,716.6	496.4	574.3	6,223.7	3,682.1	367.8	447.3	74.0	232.8	15,850.2	2,001.6	1,690.8	482.3	566.8	6,093.7	3,594.8	343.9	429.9	67.4	216.1	15,487.3
Sep	2,020.6	1,680.4	493.7	573.5	6,122.3	3,636.5	359.6	434.1	71.7	221.0	15,613.4	2,001.3	1,676.3	487.4	568.4	6,124.3	3,606.0	348.8	429.6	68.3	213.1	15,523.6
Oct	2,002.5	1,681.6	492.2	571.4	6,157.2	3,636.3	354.3	434.6	69.0	214.3	15,613.3	1,997.9	1,684.7	490.2	569.5	6,142.1	3,619.2	347.4	429.5	67.6	211.3	15,559.4
Nov	1,987.9	1,698.0	489.0	567.9	6,175.3	3,606.0	348.8	432.2	65.1	210.2	15,580.4	1,997.2	1,700.9	491.9	570.2	6,156.2	3,627.9	349.7	431.5	67.7	209.1	15,602.4
Dec	1,977.0	1,700.6	484.2	569.0	6,153.7	3,618.7	341.9	431.6	64.0	208.1	15,548.8	1,994.6	1,707.5	491.7	572.1	6,166.0	3,654.1	350.0	432.3	67.9	213.5	15,649.7
2003 Jan	1,944.5	1,667.5	475.5	555.4	6,080.7	3,534.3	329.7	417.7	61.4	199.6	15,266.3	1,990.3	1,695.4	488.2	567.3	6,191.5	3,646.8	349.4	434.3	67.6	217.0	15,647.6
Feb	1,971.3	1,677.4	475.5	556.6	6,120.1	3,564.4	329.6	417.4	62.1	201.1	15,375.7	2,002.0	1,699.3	487.6	566.7	6,219.9	3,655.3	350.2	435.4	67.8	218.6	15,702.8
Mar	1,998.2	1,680.2	477.1	559.7	6,134.7	3,557.9	331.4	419.9	62.3	202.6	15,424.0	2,019.7	1,697.6	487.4	567.2	6,237.0	3,634.5	351.4	436.3	67.2	218.7	15,717.0
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Jan-Mar02	1,908.0	1,630.0	463.1	554.8	5,890.0	3,444.1	323.3	408.8	60.6	196.4	14,879.0	1,940.5	1,651.4	474.4	564.3	5,997.2	3,536.5	343.3	424.9	66.0	213.7	15,212.2
Jan-Mar03	1,971.3	1,675.0	476.0	557.2	6,111.8	3,552.2	330.2	418.3	61.9	201.1	15,355.3	2,004.0	1,697.4	487.7	567.1	6,216.1	3,645.5	350.3	435.3	67.5	218.1	15,689.1
% Change	3.3	2.8	2.8	0.4	3.8	3.1	2.1	2.3	2.2	2.4	3.2	3.3	2.8	2.8	0.5	3.7	3.1	2.0	2.4	2.3	2.0	3.1

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3b Employment Growth by Province (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1993	3.4	0.8	0.5	0.9	0.5	-0.1	1.5	-0.7	1.7	-0.8	0.8
1994	4.7	2.8	1.1	0.6	1.3	2.0	-0.4	1.5	1.8	0.2	2.0
1995	2.2	2.8	0.8	1.9	1.8	1.5	3.2	1.0	3.4	1.1	1.9
1996	1.6	2.9	-0.4	-0.1	1.0	-0.1	-1.2	0.3	2.8	-3.8	0.8
1997	2.6	3.5	2.7	1.3	2.6	1.6	1.5	1.6	0.5	1.2	2.3
1998	0.1	3.9	1.3	1.9	3.3	2.7	2.3	3.8	2.0	2.6	2.7
1999	1.9	2.5	0.8	1.3	3.6	2.3	3.3	2.4	1.5	5.5	2.8
2000	2.2	2.2	1.0	2.2	3.2	2.4	1.8	2.7	5.2	-0.1	2.6
2001	-0.3	2.8	-2.6	0.6	1.5	1.1	0.0	0.9	2.2	3.3	1.1
2002	1.6	2.6	2.0	1.6	1.8	3.4	3.3	1.2	1.8	1.2	2.2
2002 Jan	-0.1	2.3	-2.4	1.6	0.2	1.7	0.2	2.3	1.0	2.4	0.8
Feb	-1.2	1.2	0.2	0.8	1.0	1.9	2.7	-0.1	0.3	1.9	0.9
Mar	-1.4	2.6	-0.2	2.1	1.1	2.9	5.6	1.4	0.7	3.0	1.5
Apr	0.1	1.5	-0.2	1.4	0.7	3.7	4.2	1.8	5.4	3.2	1.5
May	-1.2	1.3	2.3	1.3	0.8	4.4	3.8	3.1	1.6	0.1	1.6
Jun	1.3	1.7	2.7	2.6	1.1	4.5	2.9	1.8	0.1	1.3	2.2
Jul	2.1	3.6	1.5	2.5	1.3	3.8	3.2	-0.5	0.1	3.2	2.3
Aug	3.7	3.6	1.2	2.1	2.3	3.3	3.1	1.5	2.6	1.9	2.8
Sep	3.9	2.3	4.1	1.7	2.9	3.1	4.1	1.0	3.9	0.6	2.9
Oct	4.1	2.6	4.7	1.1	3.2	3.2	3.0	0.0	2.4	-1.2	3.1
Nov	3.8	3.7	5.3	1.0	3.3	3.6	3.9	0.8	1.6	-1.1	3.3
Dec	4.1	4.2	5.4	1.4	3.3	4.8	3.7	1.5	2.6	-0.3	3.7
2003 Jan	2.4	2.5	3.7	0.3	3.7	3.7	2.6	1.9	2.8	2.1	3.2
Feb	3.6	3.3	2.3	1.0	3.9	3.6	2.5	2.7	2.5	3.2	3.5
Mar	4.0	2.5	2.4	0.0	3.7	2.1	1.4	2.4	1.3	1.9	3.0
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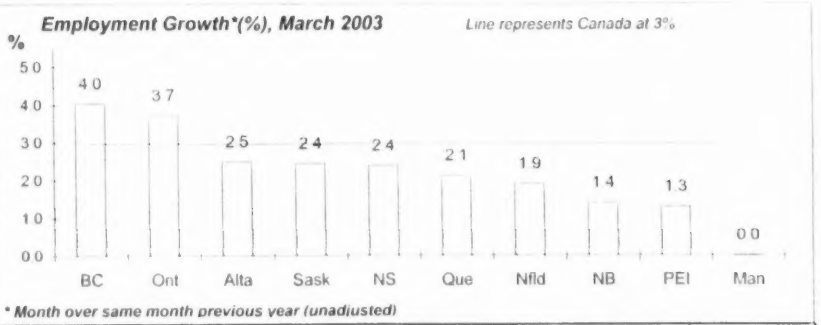

* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2002 Jan	1.3	0.9	1.0	0.2	0.2	0.9	1.2	0.0	-0.8	-0.5	0.6
Feb	-0.4	-0.6	1.2	-0.9	0.3	0.3	0.3	-0.7	0.6	-0.3	0.0
Mar	0.6	0.6	-0.2	1.2	0.3	0.7	1.4	0.5	0.3	1.4	0.5
Apr	0.6	-0.1	-0.3	-0.7	0.0	0.8	-0.1	0.4	2.7	0.9	0.2
May	-0.6	0.3	1.3	0.2	0.3	0.5	-0.2	0.8	-2.2	-1.4	0.2
Jun	1.5	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.1	0.2	-0.4	-0.5	0.2	1.7	0.4
Jul	0.7	1.4	-0.5	0.0	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.9	-0.4	-0.8	0.2
Aug	0.7	0.0	0.5	-0.3	0.7	-0.2	0.1	1.2	1.5	0.0	0.4
Sep	0.0	-0.9	1.1	0.3	0.5	0.3	1.4	-0.1	1.3	-1.4	0.2
Oct	-0.2	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.4	-0.4	0.0	-1.0	-0.8	0.2
Nov	0.0	1.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.5	0.1	-1.0	0.3
Dec	-0.1	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.3	2.1	0.3
2003 Jan	-0.2	-0.7	-0.7	-0.8	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.5	-0.4	1.6	0.0
Feb	0.6	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.4
Mar	0.9	-0.1	0.0	0.1	0.3	-0.6	0.3	0.2	-0.9	0.0	0.1

Note: growth rates for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, growth rates are calculated as month over previous month.

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Source: Statistics Canada

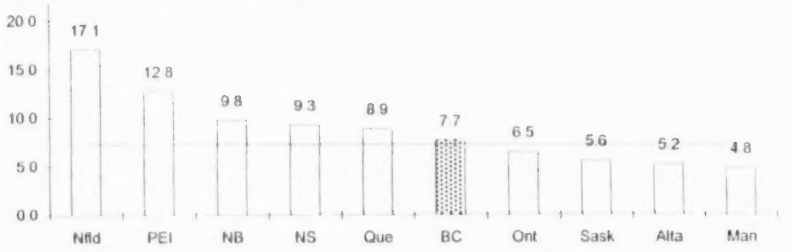
4a Provincial Unemployment Rates (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1993	9.7	9.6	8.2	9.3	10.9	13.3	12.5	14.3	17.6	20.4	11.4
1994	9.0	8.7	6.8	8.6	9.6	12.3	12.4	13.5	17.2	20.2	10.4
1995	8.4	7.8	6.6	7.2	8.7	11.4	11.2	12.1	15.0	18.1	9.4
1996	8.7	6.9	6.6	7.2	9.0	11.9	11.6	12.3	14.7	19.3	9.6
1997	8.4	5.8	5.9	6.5	8.4	11.4	12.7	12.1	15.4	18.6	9.1
1998	8.8	5.6	5.7	5.5	7.2	10.3	12.2	10.5	13.8	18.0	8.3
1999	8.3	5.7	6.1	5.6	6.3	9.3	10.2	9.6	14.4	16.9	7.6
2000	7.2	5.0	5.2	4.9	5.7	8.4	10.0	9.1	12.0	16.7	6.8
2001	7.7	4.6	5.8	5.0	6.3	8.7	11.2	9.7	11.9	16.1	7.2
2002	8.5	5.3	5.7	5.2	7.1	8.6	10.4	9.7	12.1	16.9	7.7

Unemployment Rates*(%), March 2003

Line represents Canada at 7.3%



Seasonally adjusted

	Actual											Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2002 Jan	9.6	5.2	6.5	5.6	7.8	10.3	12.8	10.9	17.8	19.3	8.6	8.8	4.8	5.9	5.1	7.4	9.0	11.3	9.8	12.9	17.1	7.9
Feb	9.3	5.3	6.1	6.3	7.4	10.1	13.1	11.3	17.8	19.2	8.4	8.7	5.1	5.7	5.8	6.9	9.2	11.0	10.3	14.2	17.4	7.8
Mar	9.3	5.2	6.2	5.5	7.6	9.5	12.4	11.0	15.2	18.7	8.3	9.0	4.9	5.7	5.0	7.1	8.8	10.3	9.7	12.4	16.6	7.7
Apr	9.0	5.7	6.6	5.9	7.0	9.2	12.4	11.0	14.7	17.7	8.0	8.7	5.2	5.9	5.4	7.1	8.6	10.1	9.8	11.3	15.5	7.6
May	9.3	6.0	6.2	4.9	7.2	8.3	10.5	10.0	9.8	18.5	7.8	9.5	5.9	5.8	5.3	7.0	8.3	9.8	9.7	11.4	16.8	7.7
Jun	8.2	5.1	4.9	4.3	6.7	7.7	8.7	8.5	8.1	15.5	7.1	8.7	5.5	5.3	4.9	7.1	8.2	9.6	9.3	12.1	15.9	7.5
Jul	8.3	5.5	5.7	5.3	7.6	8.3	9.5	9.8	10.5	13.8	7.7	8.2	5.3	5.3	5.2	7.1	8.6	10.5	9.8	12.3	15.2	7.6
Aug	7.9	5.5	5.9	5.7	7.6	8.4	9.4	9.2	9.4	14.9	7.7	7.7	5.2	5.4	5.2	7.1	8.6	10.4	9.7	12.4	16.1	7.5
Sep	7.5	5.2	4.7	4.1	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.9	8.7	14.6	7.0	8.2	5.8	5.5	4.9	7.3	8.4	10.2	9.8	11.7	17.2	7.7
Oct	7.7	5.4	5.0	4.8	6.6	7.4	8.8	8.2	9.3	16.2	6.9	8.3	5.7	5.8	5.4	7.1	8.1	10.8	9.4	11.6	18.2	7.6
Nov	8.5	5.0	5.3	5.1	6.2	8.4	9.6	8.9	12.4	17.1	7.1	8.5	5.2	5.9	5.3	6.7	8.6	10.3	9.5	11.4	18.5	7.5
Dec	8.1	4.6	5.3	4.6	6.5	8.2	10.2	8.6	13.2	17.9	7.1	8.4	4.9	5.6	4.9	7.0	8.5	10.3	9.4	10.9	18.5	7.5
2003 Jan	9.0	6.0	6.5	5.4	7.1	9.4	11.5	10.3	15.4	20.2	8.1	8.2	5.5	5.8	4.9	6.8	8.4	10.2	9.4	11.1	17.9	7.4
Feb	8.7	5.2	6.4	5.6	7.1	9.5	12.8	9.7	14.6	19.2	8.0	8.2	5.1	6.0	5.1	6.7	8.6	10.7	8.9	11.5	17.5	7.4
Mar	7.9	5.4	5.9	5.2	7.0	9.7	11.6	10.5	15.9	19.0	7.9	7.7	5.2	5.6	4.8	6.5	8.9	9.8	9.3	12.8	17.1	7.3
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Average:																						
Jan-Mar02	9.4	5.2	6.3	5.8	7.6	10.0	12.8	11.1	16.9	19.1	8.4	8.8	4.9	5.8	5.3	7.1	9.0	10.9	9.9	13.2	17.0	7.8
Jan-Mar03	8.5	5.5	6.3	5.4	7.1	9.5	12.0	10.2	15.3	19.5	8.0	8.0	5.3	5.8	4.9	6.7	8.6	10.2	9.2	11.8	17.5	7.4

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Source: Statistics Canada

4b Provincial Employment Rates (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1993	60.2	64.9	61.2	60.8	59.5	54.0	51.7	51.6	53.9	42.7	58.0
1994	61.2	65.8	61.7	61.1	59.6	54.6	51.3	52.1	54.1	42.8	58.4
1995	60.7	66.7	61.8	62.0	59.9	55.0	52.7	52.4	55.3	43.5	58.8
1996	60.0	67.3	61.0	61.7	59.7	54.6	51.8	52.2	56.2	42.1	58.5
1997	60.1	67.9	62.3	62.3	60.2	55.0	52.3	52.6	55.9	42.8	59.0
1998	59.2	68.5	62.7	63.3	61.2	56.1	53.3	54.3	56.6	44.2	59.7
1999	59.7	68.4	62.9	63.7	62.4	57.0	54.8	55.2	56.8	46.7	60.6
2000	60.2	68.6	63.5	64.6	63.3	57.9	55.4	56.1	58.9	46.5	61.4
2001	59.2	69.0	62.0	64.7	63.1	58.1	55.2	56.3	59.6	48.1	61.2
2002	59.4	69.1	63.5	65.6	63.0	59.5	56.9	56.7	60.0	48.7	61.8
2002 Jan	57.5	67.9	60.3	64.1	61.4	56.7	53.0	54.4	53.7	44.5	59.7
Feb	57.6	67.6	61.1	63.8	61.6	57.2	53.0	53.9	54.4	44.3	59.9
Mar	58.0	68.2	61.3	64.8	61.8	57.9	53.9	54.4	55.2	45.2	60.3
Apr	58.4	67.7	61.1	64.5	62.1	58.7	54.6	55.1	57.4	46.6	60.7
May	59.1	69.2	64.0	65.8	63.3	60.3	57.5	57.6	62.9	49.3	62.1
Jun	60.5	70.2	65.1	67.2	63.7	61.5	59.3	58.4	65.1	52.3	63.1
Jul	60.8	70.9	65.1	66.7	63.9	61.7	59.9	58.5	64.6	54.9	63.3
Aug	61.1	70.7	65.4	66.4	64.5	61.0	60.5	59.1	66.1	53.0	63.4
Sep	60.6	69.1	65.1	66.3	63.3	60.2	59.1	57.3	64.0	50.4	62.4
Oct	60.0	69.0	64.9	66.1	63.6	60.1	58.2	57.4	61.4	48.8	62.3
Nov	59.5	69.6	64.5	65.7	63.7	59.6	57.3	57.1	57.9	47.9	62.2
Dec	59.1	69.6	63.9	65.8	63.4	59.8	56.2	57.0	56.9	47.4	62.0
2003 Jan	58.1	68.1	62.8	64.2	62.6	58.3	54.2	55.1	54.5	45.5	60.8
Feb	58.9	68.4	62.8	64.4	63.0	58.8	54.2	55.1	55.1	45.8	61.2
Mar	59.6	68.4	63.1	64.7	63.0	58.7	54.5	55.4	55.2	46.1	61.3
Apr											
May											
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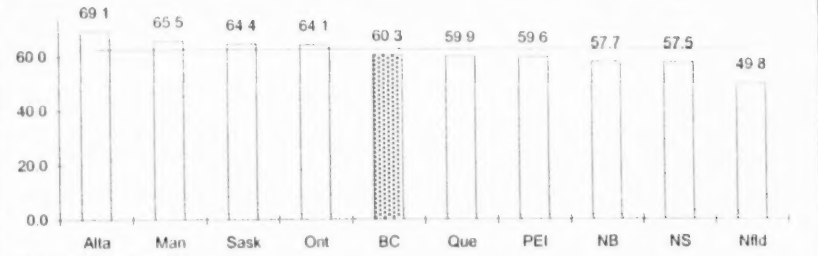
Dec											
Average:											
Jan-Mar02	57.7	67.9	60.9	64.2	61.6	57.3	53.3	54.2	54.4	44.7	60.0
Jan-Mar03	58.9	68.3	62.9	64.4	62.9	58.6	54.3	55.2	54.9	45.8	61.1

Employment Rates*(%), March 2003

Line represents Canada at 62.5%



Seasonally adjusted

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2002 Jan	58.8	69.1	62.0	65.5	62.6	58.6	56.2	56.5	59.1	48.5	61.2
Feb	58.5	68.5	62.7	64.9	62.7	58.7	56.4	56.1	59.3	48.4	61.2
Mar	58.8	68.8	62.6	65.6	62.8	59.1	57.2	56.4	59.5	49.0	61.5
Apr	59.0	68.6	62.4	65.2	62.7	59.5	57.1	56.7	61.1	49.5	61.5
May	58.6	68.7	63.2	65.3	62.8	59.8	57.0	57.1	59.7	48.8	61.6
Jun	59.4	69.0	63.5	65.8	62.8	59.9	56.8	56.8	59.7	49.7	61.8
Jul	59.7	69.8	63.2	65.7	62.8	59.6	56.5	56.2	59.3	49.3	61.8
Aug	60.1	69.7	63.6	65.5	63.1	59.5	56.5	56.8	60.2	49.2	62.0
Sep	60.0	68.9	64.3	65.7	63.3	59.7	57.3	56.8	60.9	48.6	62.0
Oct	59.8	69.1	64.7	65.8	63.4	59.8	57.1	56.7	60.2	48.2	62.1
Nov	59.8	69.7	64.9	65.9	63.5	59.9	57.5	57.0	60.2	47.6	62.2
Dec	59.7	69.8	64.9	66.1	63.5	60.3	57.5	57.1	60.4	48.6	62.4
2003 Jan	59.5	69.2	64.5	65.6	63.7	60.2	57.4	57.3	60.0	49.4	62.3
Feb	59.8	69.3	64.4	65.5	64.0	60.3	57.6	57.4	60.2	49.8	62.5
Mar	60.3	69.1	64.4	65.5	64.1	59.9	57.7	57.5	59.6	49.8	62.5
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Average:											
Jan-Mar02	58.7	68.8	62.4	65.3	62.7	58.8	56.6	56.3	59.3	48.6	61.3
Jan-Mar03	59.9	69.2	64.4	65.5	63.9	60.1	57.6	57.4	59.9	49.7	62.4

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Source: Statistics Canada

5a BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1993	146.6	498.8	263.9	922.4	26.8	50.8	23.8	102.1	133.2	418.0	194.0	753.5	18.1	40.7	18.3	77.6	279.9	916.8	457.9	1,675.9	45.0	91.6	42.1	179.7
1994	145.2	511.2	281.2	957.1	30.3	50.0	23.3	104.2	135.8	434.1	217.2	797.0	17.5	38.4	13.7	69.9	280.9	945.3	498.4	1,754.0	47.7	88.4	37.0	174.1
1995	143.9	525.2	297.3	980.3	27.1	48.3	18.8	94.9	136.4	438.7	229.3	812.0	18.8	36.1	15.2	70.4	280.3	963.9	526.5	1,792.3	45.9	84.4	34.0	165.3
1996	139.8	536.8	306.9	999.4	26.2	48.9	20.7	96.7	133.0	451.0	230.8	821.7	18.8	41.0	16.4	76.7	272.9	987.8	537.8	1,821.2	45.0	89.9	37.1	173.4
1997	138.3	540.2	319.4	1,013.0	27.7	47.8	20.5	96.9	133.5	464.1	249.4	856.0	20.8	36.2	17.0	74.4	271.8	1,004.3	568.9	1,869.0	48.6	84.0	37.5	171.3
1998	133.0	531.0	317.7	1,001.0	31.5	51.6	24.3	108.4	127.9	463.6	267.2	869.2	23.0	35.4	14.0	72.6	260.9	994.6	584.9	1,870.2	54.5	87.0	38.2	181.0
1999	138.3	526.1	335.9	1,019.1	26.5	49.6	23.2	100.4	136.5	462.3	279.7	887.3	19.4	36.4	16.3	72.3	274.8	988.4	615.6	1,906.4	45.8	86.1	39.5	172.8
2000	141.2	529.8	353.2	1,041.6	25.5	38.1	21.1	85.1	139.7	461.2	298.5	907.5	18.8	31.3	15.2	65.6	280.9	991.0	651.7	1,949.1	44.3	69.4	36.3	150.6
2001	140.9	517.9	358.3	1,032.6	26.7	44.8	23.0	95.5	140.6	456.4	303.7	909.8	17.6	32.5	15.0	65.7	281.5	974.3	662.0	1,942.4	44.3	77.3	38.0	161.1
2002	144.9	509.9	370.1	1,045.9	29.1	47.3	27.5	105.0	144.5	455.4	317.1	927.5	21.5	38.4	18.8	79.4	289.4	965.3	687.2	1,973.4	50.6	85.7	46.3	184.4
2002 Jan	133.6	497.3	354.3	1,002.6	28.1	61.1	32.3	123.9	133.2	452.7	300.3	897.0	18.8	37.5	20.6	78.1	266.8	950.1	654.6	1,899.6	46.9	98.6	52.9	201.9
Feb	132.8	497.7	360.1	1,009.1	30.9	62.5	25.7	121.0	134.0	447.2	304.4	894.6	14.6	37.4	20.5	73.2	266.8	944.9	664.4	1,903.7	45.5	99.9	46.2	194.2
Mar	133.6	501.0	363.4	1,016.1	32.0	57.2	32.4	123.4	134.2	450.3	305.3	904.5	17.3	35.5	19.6	73.3	267.8	951.3	668.7	1,920.6	49.4	92.7	52.0	196.8
Apr	139.5	498.7	364.1	1,023.8	26.6	57.6	29.4	114.9	136.3	453.7	311.7	914.3	18.4	39.7	16.3	76.2	275.8	952.4	675.9	1,938.1	44.9	97.3	45.7	191.0
May	144.7	501.6	366.9	1,036.8	31.4	54.3	34.2	120.5	139.6	461.9	311.5	925.0	23.6	37.6	19.1	80.8	284.2	963.5	678.4	1,961.8	55.0	91.9	53.3	201.2
Jun	155.9	513.8	369.5	1,063.1	25.8	44.9	27.4	99.1	149.5	467.9	321.0	947.7	28.5	32.4	19.3	80.3	305.4	981.8	690.4	2,010.7	54.2	77.3	46.7	179.4
Jul	166.6	523.1	373.9	1,083.2	33.2	38.7	25.2	97.3	158.9	453.3	318.9	939.7	27.3	38.1	18.8	84.8	325.5	976.4	692.8	2,023.0	60.5	76.8	44.0	182.1
Aug	170.0	522.3	377.7	1,091.7	27.5	40.1	20.1	89.0	165.8	446.3	320.6	943.6	25.9	40.1	20.8	86.7	335.8	968.7	698.3	2,035.3	53.4	80.1	40.9	175.7
Sep	149.3	524.2	377.0	1,074.6	24.2	34.9	22.1	81.6	147.3	460.1	328.4	946.0	21.5	43.7	16.4	82.0	296.6	984.3	705.5	2,020.6	45.7	78.6	38.5	163.6
Oct	140.6	519.8	383.5	1,064.6	24.8	38.9	22.8	86.7	141.0	460.5	327.6	937.9	25.3	37.8	17.8	81.3	281.6	980.3	711.1	2,002.5	50.1	76.7	40.5	168.1
Nov	134.5	514.6	380.7	1,051.2	33.5	36.8	28.2	100.0	145.2	455.1	326.8	936.7	21.7	43.3	18.0	83.5	279.7	969.7	707.5	1,987.9	55.2	80.1	46.2	183.6
Dec	137.8	504.5	370.3	1,033.8	31.2	40.3	30.1	102.8	148.8	455.6	328.6	943.2	15.0	37.9	19.0	72.2	286.7	960.1	698.8	1,977.0	46.2	78.2	49.1	174.9
2003 Jan	133.5	502.3	367.8	1,027.3	32.8	40.0	29.3	102.5	138.2	442.2	326.5	917.1	21.1	47.4	19.8	89.0	271.7	944.5	694.4	1,944.5	54.0	87.3	49.1	191.6
Feb	135.7	509.2	376.8	1,044.8	29.3	44.2	29.2	103.1	141.0	448.5	326.8	926.5	19.5	38.9	24.6	83.7	276.7	957.6	703.6	1,971.3	48.8	83.1	53.9	186.8
Mar	141.5	509.6	383.4	1,060.1	21.8	43.9	28.9	95.4	140.4	454.6	330.7	938.1	16.6	37.9	20.5	75.3	281.9	964.2	714.2	1,998.2	38.4	81.8	49.4	170.7
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Average:																								
Jan-Mar02	133.3	498.7	359.3	1,009.3	30.3	60.3	30.1	122.8	133.8	450.1	303.3	898.7	16.9	36.8	20.2	74.9	267.1	948.8	662.6	1,908.0	47.3	97.1	50.4	197.6
Jan-Mar03	136.9	507.0	376.0	1,044.1	28.0	42.7	29.1	100.3	139.9	448.4	328.0	927.2	19.1	41.4	21.6	82.7	276.8	955.4	704.1	1,971.3	47.1	84.1	50.8	183.0
% Change	2.7	1.7	4.7	3.4	-7.8	-29.1	-3.3	-18.3	4.5	-0.4	8.1	3.2	12.8	12.5	6.9	10.4	3.6	0.7	6.3	3.3	-0.4	-13.4	0.9	-7.4

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

5b BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1993	72.4	93.7	79.2	74.6	15.4	9.2	8.3	10.0	65.5	78.0	59.8	59.0	12.0	8.9	8.6	9.3	69.0	85.9	69.6	66.7	13.9	9.1	8.4	9.7
1994	71.7	93.1	80.2	74.9	17.3	8.9	7.7	9.8	65.5	78.5	61.8	59.8	11.4	8.1	5.9	8.1	68.7	85.8	71.1	67.2	14.5	8.6	6.9	9.0
1995	68.7	92.7	79.8	73.7	15.9	8.4	5.9	8.8	65.3	77.2	62.3	59.1	12.1	7.6	6.2	8.0	67.0	85.0	71.1	66.3	14.1	8.1	6.1	8.4
1996	65.3	92.3	79.4	72.9	15.8	8.3	6.3	8.8	62.6	78.2	60.3	58.6	12.4	8.3	6.6	8.5	64.0	85.3	69.9	65.7	14.2	8.3	6.5	8.7
1997	63.6	91.8	79.4	72.2	16.7	8.1	6.0	8.7	61.4	78.4	62.4	59.1	13.5	7.2	6.4	8.0	62.6	85.1	70.9	65.6	15.2	7.7	6.2	8.4
1998	62.4	91.4	77.0	71.2	19.1	8.9	7.1	9.8	59.4	78.1	63.3	58.8	15.2	7.1	5.0	7.7	60.9	84.7	70.2	64.9	17.3	8.0	6.1	8.8
1999	62.1	91.3	78.1	71.2	16.1	8.6	6.5	9.0	60.9	78.7	64.1	59.2	12.4	7.3	5.5	7.5	61.5	85.0	71.1	65.1	14.3	8.0	6.0	8.3
2000	62.1	90.7	78.6	70.7	15.3	6.7	5.6	7.6	61.1	78.2	65.3	59.2	11.9	6.4	4.8	6.7	61.6	84.4	71.9	64.9	13.6	6.5	5.3	7.2
2001	61.6	90.5	77.4	69.9	15.9	8.0	6.0	8.5	60.2	77.8	63.9	58.5	11.1	6.6	4.7	6.7	60.9	84.1	70.6	64.1	13.6	7.4	5.4	7.7
2002	63.2	90.3	77.9	70.5	16.7	8.5	6.9	9.1	62.2	79.0	64.9	59.5	13.0	7.8	5.6	7.9	62.7	84.6	71.4	64.9	14.9	8.2	6.3	8.5
2002 Jan	59.1	90.2	77.0	69.4	17.4	10.9	8.4	11.0	57.4	78.3	63.1	58.0	12.4	7.6	6.4	8.0	58.2	84.2	70.0	63.6	15.0	9.4	7.5	9.6
Feb	59.8	90.6	76.6	69.5	18.9	11.2	6.7	10.7	56.0	77.4	63.7	57.5	9.8	7.7	6.3	7.6	57.9	83.9	70.1	63.4	14.6	9.6	6.5	9.3
Mar	60.4	90.3	78.4	70.0	19.3	10.2	8.2	10.8	57.1	77.6	63.5	58.1	11.4	7.3	6.0	7.5	58.8	83.9	70.9	63.9	15.6	8.9	7.2	9.3
Apr	60.5	90.0	77.6	69.9	16.0	10.4	7.5	10.1	58.1	78.8	63.9	58.7	11.9	8.0	5.0	7.7	59.3	84.3	70.7	64.2	14.0	9.3	6.3	9.0
May	64.1	89.9	78.9	71.0	17.8	9.8	8.5	10.4	61.2	79.8	64.2	59.6	14.5	7.5	5.8	8.0	62.7	84.9	71.5	65.2	16.2	8.7	7.3	9.3
Jun	66.0	90.5	77.9	71.2	14.2	8.0	6.9	8.5	66.7	80.0	65.9	60.8	16.0	6.5	5.7	7.8	66.4	85.2	71.8	65.9	15.1	7.3	6.3	8.2
Jul	72.6	91.0	78.1	72.2	16.6	6.9	6.3	8.2	69.7	78.6	65.1	60.5	14.7	7.8	5.6	8.3	71.2	84.8	71.5	66.3	15.7	7.3	6.0	8.3
Aug	71.7	91.2	77.6	72.1	13.9	7.1	5.1	7.5	71.7	77.9	65.6	60.8	13.5	8.2	6.1	8.4	71.7	84.5	71.6	66.4	13.7	7.6	5.5	7.9
Sep	62.9	90.8	77.6	70.6	13.9	6.2	5.5	7.1	63.0	80.8	66.1	60.6	12.7	8.7	4.8	8.0	62.9	85.7	71.8	65.5	13.4	7.4	5.2	7.5
Oct	59.9	90.8	78.8	70.2	15.0	7.0	5.6	7.5	62.0	79.9	66.0	60.0	15.2	7.6	5.2	8.0	61.0	85.3	72.4	65.0	15.1	7.3	5.4	7.7
Nov	60.8	89.7	79.1	70.2	19.9	6.7	6.9	8.7	62.2	80.1	65.8	60.0	13.0	8.7	5.2	8.2	61.5	84.9	72.4	65.0	16.5	7.6	6.1	8.5
Dec	61.1	88.8	77.3	69.2	18.5	7.4	7.5	9.0	61.1	79.4	66.1	59.7	9.2	7.7	5.5	7.1	61.1	84.0	71.6	64.4	13.9	7.5	6.6	8.1
2003 Jan	60.1	88.6	76.4	68.8	19.7	7.4	7.4	9.1	59.3	78.8	65.6	59.1	13.2	9.7	5.7	8.8	59.7	83.7	71.0	63.8	16.6	8.5	6.6	9.0
Feb	59.6	90.5	77.9	69.8	17.8	8.0	7.2	9.0	59.7	78.5	66.5	59.3	12.1	8.0	7.0	8.3	59.6	84.5	72.1	64.5	15.0	8.0	7.1	8.7
Mar	58.9	90.6	78.9	70.2	13.3	7.9	7.0	8.3	58.3	79.4	66.2	59.4	10.6	7.7	5.8	7.4	58.6	85.0	72.5	64.7	12.0	7.8	6.5	7.9
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Jan-Mar02	59.8	90.4	77.3	69.6	18.5	10.8	7.8	10.8	56.8	77.8	63.4	57.9	11.2	7.5	6.2	7.7	58.3	84.0	70.3	63.6	15.1	9.3	7.1	9.4
Jan-Mar03	59.5	89.9	77.7	69.6	16.9	7.8	7.2	8.8	59.1	78.9	66.1	59.3	12.0	8.5	6.2	8.2	59.3	84.4	71.9	64.3	14.5	8.1	6.7	8.5

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

5c BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men						Women						Total					
	Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1993	146.6	775.8	922.4	26.8	75.2	102.1	133.2	620.2	753.5	18.1	59.5	77.6	279.9	1,396.0	1,675.9	45.0	134.7	179.7
1994	145.2	811.9	957.1	30.3	73.9	104.2	135.8	661.2	797.0	17.5	52.4	69.9	280.9	1,473.1	1,754.0	47.7	126.3	174.1
1995	143.9	836.4	980.3	27.1	67.8	94.9	136.4	675.6	812.0	18.8	51.6	70.4	280.3	1,512.0	1,792.3	45.9	119.4	165.3
1996	139.8	859.6	999.4	26.2	70.5	96.7	133.0	688.7	821.7	18.8	57.8	76.7	272.9	1,548.3	1,821.2	45.0	128.3	173.4
1997	138.3	874.7	1,013.0	27.7	69.2	96.9	133.5	722.5	856.0	20.8	53.6	74.4	271.8	1,597.2	1,869.0	48.6	122.8	171.3
1998	133.0	868.0	1,001.0	31.5	76.9	108.4	127.9	741.3	869.2	23.0	49.6	72.6	260.9	1,609.3	1,870.2	54.5	126.4	181.0
1999	138.3	880.8	1,019.1	26.5	73.9	100.4	136.5	750.7	887.3	19.4	53.0	72.3	274.8	1,631.6	1,906.4	45.8	126.9	172.8
2000	141.2	900.4	1,041.6	25.5	59.6	85.1	139.7	767.8	907.5	18.8	46.7	65.6	280.9	1,668.2	1,949.1	44.3	106.3	150.6
2001	140.9	891.7	1,032.6	26.7	68.8	95.5	140.6	769.2	909.8	17.6	48.0	65.7	281.5	1,660.8	1,942.4	44.3	116.8	161.1
2002	144.9	901.0	1,045.9	29.1	75.9	105.0	144.5	783.0	927.5	21.5	57.9	79.4	289.4	1,684.0	1,973.4	50.6	133.8	184.4
2002 Jan	143.1	887.3	1,030.4	29.6	82.9	112.5	138.9	773.1	912.0	19.5	55.7	75.2	281.9	1,660.5	1,942.4	49.1	138.6	187.7
Feb	142.2	884.8	1,027.1	28.7	84.4	113.1	139.1	767.6	906.7	16.8	55.0	71.8	281.3	1,652.4	1,933.7	45.5	139.4	184.9
Mar	143.4	891.5	1,034.9	30.2	83.2	113.4	139.3	771.1	910.4	19.9	58.5	78.4	282.6	1,662.7	1,945.3	50.1	141.7	191.8
Apr	144.7	895.4	1,040.1	26.1	82.0	108.2	141.3	775.8	917.1	19.5	58.3	77.8	286.0	1,671.2	1,957.2	45.7	140.3	186.0
May	138.2	890.3	1,028.5	29.1	89.6	118.7	136.5	779.8	916.2	23.5	61.3	84.9	274.7	1,670.1	1,944.8	52.6	151.0	203.6
Jun	144.7	900.5	1,045.1	28.1	73.7	101.8	144.8	784.2	929.0	26.8	58.7	85.5	289.4	1,684.7	1,974.1	54.9	132.5	187.4
Jul	143.8	908.4	1,052.2	31.1	68.6	99.8	147.3	788.3	935.7	21.2	55.8	76.9	291.2	1,696.7	1,987.8	52.3	124.4	176.7
Aug	149.8	909.6	1,059.4	26.9	64.4	91.3	153.2	789.0	942.2	22.4	52.4	74.8	303.1	1,698.5	2,001.6	49.3	116.8	166.1
Sep	150.8	912.8	1,063.5	27.4	68.0	95.4	148.6	789.1	937.8	20.1	62.5	82.7	299.4	1,701.9	2,001.3	47.5	130.5	178.1
Oct	146.7	914.5	1,061.3	27.6	69.6	97.3	144.7	791.9	936.6	24.8	59.4	84.2	291.5	1,706.4	1,997.9	52.4	129.0	181.5
Nov	144.1	911.6	1,055.7	31.2	71.8	103.0	149.1	792.5	941.6	22.8	60.1	82.9	293.2	1,704.1	1,997.2	54.0	131.9	185.9
Dec	146.0	904.4	1,050.4	32.6	72.2	104.7	150.2	794.0	944.2	19.8	57.8	77.6	296.2	1,698.4	1,994.6	52.4	129.9	182.3
2003 Jan	143.8	911.3	1,055.1	33.7	58.7	92.5	145.1	790.1	935.2	21.6	63.0	84.6	288.9	1,701.4	1,990.3	55.4	121.7	177.0
Feb	145.1	917.1	1,062.1	27.7	67.5	95.2	146.4	793.5	939.9	22.2	60.8	82.9	291.5	1,710.5	2,002.0	49.9	128.2	178.1
Mar	149.9	926.0	1,075.8	20.5	66.1	86.6	145.7	798.2	943.9	19.8	61.5	81.3	295.6	1,724.1	2,019.7	40.3	127.6	167.9
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Jan-Mar02	142.9	887.9	1,030.8	29.5	83.5	113.0	139.1	770.6	909.7	18.7	56.4	75.1	281.9	1,658.5	1,940.5	48.2	139.9	188.1
Jan-Mar03	146.3	918.1	1,064.3	27.3	64.1	91.4	145.7	793.9	939.7	21.2	61.8	82.9	292.0	1,712.0	2,004.0	48.5	125.8	174.3
% Change	2.4	3.4	3.3	-7.5	-23.2	-19.1	4.8	3.0	3.3	13.2	9.5	10.4	3.6	3.2	3.3	0.6	-10.1	-7.3

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

5d BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men									Women									Total								
	Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1993	72.4	75.0	74.6	15.4	8.8	10.0	61.2	68.4	67.1	65.5	57.7	59.0	12.0	8.8	9.3	57.7	52.7	53.5	69.0	66.2	66.7	13.9	8.8	9.7	59.5	60.4	60.2
1994	71.7	75.5	74.9	17.3	8.3	9.8	59.4	69.2	67.5	65.5	58.7	59.8	11.4	7.3	8.1	58.1	54.4	55.0	68.7	67.0	67.2	14.5	7.9	9.0	58.7	61.7	61.2
1995	68.7	74.7	73.7	15.9	7.5	8.8	57.8	69.1	67.2	65.3	58.0	59.1	12.1	7.1	8.0	57.4	53.9	54.4	67.0	66.2	66.3	14.1	7.3	8.4	57.6	61.3	60.7
1996	65.3	74.5	72.9	15.8	7.6	8.8	55.0	68.8	66.5	62.6	57.8	58.6	12.4	7.7	8.5	54.8	53.3	53.6	64.0	66.0	65.7	14.2	7.7	8.7	54.9	61.0	60.0
1997	63.6	73.9	72.2	16.7	7.3	8.7	53.0	68.5	65.9	61.4	58.6	59.1	13.5	6.9	8.0	53.2	54.6	54.4	62.6	66.1	65.6	15.2	7.1	8.4	53.1	61.4	60.1
1998	62.4	73.0	71.2	19.1	8.1	9.8	50.5	67.0	64.2	59.4	58.7	58.8	15.2	6.3	7.7	50.4	55.1	54.3	60.9	65.7	64.9	17.3	7.3	8.8	50.4	60.9	59.2
1999	62.1	73.0	71.2	16.1	7.7	9.0	52.1	67.3	64.8	60.9	58.9	59.2	12.4	6.6	7.5	53.3	55.1	54.8	61.5	65.8	65.1	14.3	7.2	8.3	52.7	61.1	59.7
2000	62.1	72.5	70.7	15.3	6.2	7.6	52.6	68.0	65.4	61.1	58.9	59.2	11.9	5.7	6.7	53.9	55.5	55.2	61.6	65.5	64.9	13.6	6.0	7.2	53.2	61.6	60.2
2001	61.6	71.6	69.9	15.9	7.2	8.5	51.8	66.5	64.0	60.2	58.2	58.5	11.1	5.9	6.7	53.4	54.8	54.6	60.9	64.8	64.1	13.6	6.6	7.7	52.6	60.5	59.2
2002	63.2	71.9	70.5	16.7	7.8	9.1	52.7	66.3	64.0	62.2	59.0	59.5	13.0	6.9	7.9	54.1	55.0	54.8	62.7	65.3	64.9	14.9	7.4	8.5	53.4	60.5	59.4
2002 Jan	63.1	71.9	70.4	17.1	8.5	9.8	52.3	65.7	63.5	59.8	58.6	58.8	12.3	6.7	7.6	52.4	54.6	54.3	61.5	65.1	64.5	14.8	7.7	8.8	52.3	60.1	58.8
Feb	62.4	71.7	70.2	16.8	8.7	9.9	51.9	65.5	63.2	58.7	58.1	58.2	10.8	6.7	7.3	52.4	54.2	53.9	60.6	64.7	64.1	13.9	7.8	8.7	52.2	59.7	58.5
Mar	63.3	72.1	70.6	17.4	8.5	9.9	52.3	65.9	63.6	59.9	58.5	58.7	12.5	7.1	7.9	52.4	54.4	54.1	61.7	65.1	64.5	15.1	7.9	9.0	52.4	60.0	58.8
Apr	62.2	72.1	70.5	15.3	8.4	9.4	52.7	66.1	63.8	60.4	58.7	59.0	12.1	7.0	7.8	53.1	54.6	54.4	61.3	65.3	64.6	13.8	7.7	8.7	52.9	60.2	59.0
May	60.9	72.2	70.3	17.4	9.1	10.3	50.3	65.6	63.1	60.1	59.1	59.3	14.7	7.3	8.5	51.2	54.8	54.3	60.5	65.5	64.7	16.1	8.3	9.5	50.8	60.1	58.6
Jun	62.8	71.7	70.2	16.3	7.6	8.9	52.6	66.3	64.0	64.3	59.2	60.0	15.6	7.0	8.4	54.3	55.1	54.9	63.6	65.3	65.0	15.9	7.3	8.7	53.4	60.6	59.4
Jul	63.6	71.8	70.5	17.8	7.0	8.7	52.3	66.8	64.4	63.1	59.2	59.8	12.6	6.6	7.6	55.2	55.3	55.3	63.4	65.4	65.0	15.2	6.8	8.2	53.7	60.9	59.7
Aug	64.2	71.6	70.3	15.2	6.6	7.9	54.4	66.8	64.7	65.7	58.9	60.0	12.7	6.2	7.4	57.3	55.3	55.6	65.0	65.1	65.1	14.0	6.4	7.7	55.9	60.9	60.1
Sep	64.6	72.0	70.7	15.4	6.9	8.2	54.7	67.0	64.9	63.0	59.6	60.1	11.9	7.3	8.1	55.4	55.2	55.3	63.8	65.6	65.3	13.7	7.1	8.2	55.0	61.0	60.0
Oct	63.2	72.2	70.6	15.8	7.1	8.4	53.2	67.1	64.7	63.2	59.5	60.1	14.6	7.0	8.2	54.0	55.4	55.1	63.2	65.7	65.3	15.2	7.0	8.3	53.6	61.1	59.8
Nov	63.5	72.1	70.6	17.8	7.3	8.9	52.2	66.8	64.3	64.1	59.6	60.3	13.3	7.0	8.1	55.6	55.4	55.4	63.8	65.7	65.3	15.6	7.2	8.5	53.9	60.9	59.8
Dec	64.6	71.5	70.4	18.3	7.4	9.1	52.8	66.2	64.0	63.3	59.4	60.1	11.6	6.8	7.6	56.0	55.4	55.5	64.0	65.3	65.1	15.0	7.1	8.4	54.4	60.7	59.7
2003 Jan	64.1	71.0	69.8	19.0	6.1	8.1	52.0	66.7	64.2	62.0	59.5	59.9	13.0	7.4	8.3	54.0	55.1	54.9	63.1	65.1	64.8	16.1	6.7	8.2	53.0	60.8	59.5
Feb	62.4	72.0	70.4	16.0	6.9	8.2	52.4	67.1	64.6	62.7	59.5	60.0	13.2	7.1	8.1	54.4	55.3	55.2	62.6	65.6	65.1	14.6	7.0	8.2	53.4	61.0	59.8
Mar	61.5	72.5	70.6	12.0	6.7	7.5	54.1	67.7	65.4	61.5	59.8	60.1	12.0	7.2	7.9	54.1	55.6	55.3	61.5	66.0	65.3	12.0	6.9	7.7	54.1	61.5	60.3
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Jan-Mar02	62.9	71.9	70.4	17.1	8.6	9.9	52.2	65.7	63.4	59.5	58.4	58.6	11.9	6.8	7.6	52.4	54.4	54.1	61.3	65.0	64.4	14.5	7.8	8.8	52.3	59.9	58.7
Jan-Mar03	62.7	71.8	70.3	15.7	6.6	7.9	52.8	67.2	64.7	62.1	59.6	60.0	12.7	7.2	8.1	54.2	55.3	55.1	62.4	65.6	65.1	14.2	6.9	8.0	53.5	61.1	59.9

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada

6 BC Employment by Full-Time/Part-Time Status

	Men				Women				Total			
	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total
1993	821.8	100.7	922.4	10.9	523.5	229.9	753.5	30.5	1,345.3	330.6	1,675.9	19.7
1994	847.2	109.8	957.1	11.5	539.9	257.1	797.0	32.3	1,387.1	366.9	1,754.0	20.9
1995	872.2	108.1	980.3	11.0	561.9	250.1	812.0	30.8	1,434.1	358.2	1,792.3	20.0
1996	890.5	108.9	999.4	10.9	562.6	259.1	821.7	31.5	1,453.2	368.0	1,821.2	20.2
1997	898.2	114.9	1,013.0	11.3	580.7	275.3	856.0	32.2	1,478.9	390.1	1,869.0	20.9
1998	875.3	125.7	1,001.0	12.6	591.3	277.9	869.2	32.0	1,466.6	403.5	1,870.2	21.6
1999	888.1	131.1	1,019.1	12.9	606.4	280.8	887.3	31.6	1,494.5	411.9	1,906.4	21.6
2000	924.1	117.4	1,041.6	11.3	622.9	284.6	907.5	31.4	1,547.0	402.1	1,949.1	20.6
2001	907.0	125.6	1,032.6	12.2	622.9	286.9	909.8	31.5	1,529.9	412.4	1,942.4	21.2
2002	899.3	146.5	1,045.9	14.0	622.1	305.4	927.5	32.9	1,521.4	452.0	1,973.4	22.9
						seasonally adjusted						
2002 Jan	890.9	139.5	1,030.4	13.5	618.7	293.3	912.0	32.2	1,509.6	432.8	1,942.4	22.3
Feb	877.5	149.6	1,027.1	14.6	611.4	295.3	906.7	32.6	1,488.9	444.8	1,933.7	23.0
Mar	883.3	151.6	1,034.9	14.6	624.2	286.2	910.4	31.4	1,507.6	437.7	1,945.3	22.5
Apr	898.7	141.4	1,040.1	13.6	619.4	297.7	917.1	32.5	1,518.1	439.1	1,957.2	22.4
May	887.6	140.9	1,028.5	13.7	623.9	292.4	916.2	31.9	1,511.5	433.3	1,944.8	22.3
Jun	902.2	142.9	1,045.1	13.7	624.8	304.2	929.0	32.7	1,527.0	447.1	1,974.1	22.6
Jul	908.0	144.2	1,052.2	13.7	626.8	308.8	935.7	33.0	1,534.8	453.0	1,987.8	22.8
Aug	915.8	143.6	1,059.4	13.6	628.7	313.5	942.2	33.3	1,544.5	457.1	2,001.6	22.8
Sep	912.4	151.1	1,063.5	14.2	631.5	306.3	937.8	32.7	1,543.9	457.4	2,001.3	22.9
Oct	907.1	154.2	1,061.3	14.5	618.7	317.9	936.6	33.9	1,525.8	472.1	1,997.9	23.6
Nov	902.3	153.4	1,055.7	14.5	627.3	314.3	941.6	33.4	1,529.6	467.7	1,997.2	23.4
Dec	903.7	146.7	1,050.4	14.0	611.0	333.2	944.2	35.3	1,514.7	479.9	1,994.6	24.1
2003 Jan	908.2	146.8	1,055.1	13.9	608.0	327.2	935.2	35.0	1,516.2	474.1	1,990.3	23.8
Feb	924.0	138.2	1,062.1	13.0	604.1	335.8	939.9	35.7	1,528.0	474.0	2,002.0	23.7
Mar	943.1	132.7	1,075.8	12.3	619.3	324.6	943.9	34.4	1,562.4	457.3	2,019.7	22.6
Apr												
May												
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Mar02	883.9	146.9	1,030.8	14.3	618.1	291.6	909.7	32.1	1,502.0	438.4	1,940.5	22.6
Jan-Mar03	925.1	139.2	1,064.3	13.1	610.5	329.2	939.7	35.0	1,535.5	468.5	2,004.0	23.4
% Change	4.7	-5.2	3.3		-1.2	12.9	3.3		2.2	6.9	3.3	

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Source: Statistics Canada

7a BC Employment by Industry

	All Industries		Total Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Other Primary		Utilities		Manufac-turing		Construc-tion	
	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg
1993	1,675.9		384.5		34.3		44.5		12.3		179.2		114.2	
1994	1,754.0	4.7	401.6	4.4	30.7	-10.5	49.0	10.1	12.6	2.4	183.7	2.5	125.6	10.0
1995	1,792.3	2.2	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	54.9	12.0	11	-12.7	188.7	2.7	125.1	-0.4
1996	1,821.2	1.6	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	54.7	-0.4	10.7	-2.7	195.1	3.4	119.5	-4.5
1997	1,869.0	2.6	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	54.5	-0.4	10.3	-3.7	197.0	1.0	122.9	2.8
1998	1,870.2	0.1	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	50.7	-7.0	11.4	10.7	196.0	-0.5	117.7	-4.2
1999	1,906.4	1.9	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	49.0	-3.4	11.5	0.9	192.2	-1.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	1,949.1	2.2	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	55.4	13.1	11.3	-1.7	205.4	6.9	112.5	-2.4
2001	1,942.4	-0.3	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	43.3	-21.8	11.7	3.5	196.2	-4.5	114.9	2.1
2002	1,973.4	1.6	399.0	1.8	30.1	16.2	38.9	-10.2	12.4	6.0	196.9	0.4	120.6	5.0
							seasonally adjusted							
2002 Jan	1,942.4		381.0		25.3		39.0		12.8		184.4		119.4	
Feb	1,933.7	-0.4	384.2	0.8	24.7	-2.4	38.8	-0.5	11.0	-14.1	195.1	5.8	114.6	-4.0
Mar	1,945.3	0.6	387.2	0.8	26.2	6.1	39.5	1.8	12.3	11.8	195.8	0.4	113.3	-1.1
Apr	1,957.2	0.6	388.6	0.4	26.2	0.0	38.2	-3.3	11.2	-8.9	196.2	0.2	116.8	3.1
May	1,944.8	-0.6	385.7	-0.7	28.5	8.8	36.1	-5.5	14.1	25.9	189.4	-3.5	117.5	0.6
Jun	1,974.1	1.5	392.8	1.8	30.4	6.7	34.9	-3.3	13.7	-2.8	196.1	3.5	117.7	0.2
Jul	1,987.8	0.7	401.9	2.3	30.2	-0.7	37.2	6.6	12.7	-7.3	200.9	2.4	120.7	2.5
Aug	2,001.6	0.7	408.7	1.7	31.8	5.3	38.7	4.0	12.1	-4.7	200.9	0.0	125.3	3.8
Sep	2,001.3	0.0	410.3	0.4	33.1	4.1	39.9	3.1	12.2	0.8	200.5	-0.2	124.6	-0.6
Oct	1,997.9	-0.2	414.7	1.1	33.5	1.2	41.6	4.3	11.4	-6.6	199.8	-0.3	128.4	3.0
Nov	1,997.2	0.0	413.8	-0.2	33.1	-1.2	40.8	-1.9	12.3	7.9	203.5	1.9	124.1	-3.3
Dec	1,994.6	-0.1	416.5	0.7	35.9	8.5	42.0	2.9	13.0	5.7	201.6	-0.9	123.9	-0.2
2003 Jan	1,990.3	-0.2	416.0	-0.1	33.4	-7.0	45.0	7.1	12.2	-6.2	201.3	-0.1	124.1	0.2
Feb	2,002.0	0.6	421.9	1.4	35.7	6.9	46.1	2.4	13.4	9.8	207.0	2.8	119.7	-3.5
Mar	2,019.7	0.9	435.3	3.2	39.6	10.9	49.3	6.9	14.6	9.0	210.0	1.4	121.8	1.8
Apr														
May														
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Sep														
Oct														
Nov														
Dec														
Average:														
Jan-Mar02	1,940.5		384.1		25.4		39.1		12.0		191.8		115.8	
Jan-Mar03	2,004.0		424.4		36.2		46.8		13.4		206.1		121.9	
% Change	3.3		10.5		42.7		19.7		11.4		7.5		5.3	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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Source: Statistics Canada

7b BC Employment by Industry

	Total Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Community and Personal Service								Public Administration	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health & Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Other Service	
	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg
1993	1,291.4		100.6		275.2		113.9		97.3		112.6		164.3		121.4		204.8	
1994	1,352.4	4.7	99.1	-1.5	289.4	5.2	118.0	3.6	101.1	3.9	120.4	6.9	170.8	4.0	129.2	6.4	224.3	9.5
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	102.4	1.3	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	231.1	3.0
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	106.2	3.7	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	237.0	2.6
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	112.6	6.0	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	244.5	3.2
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	124.1	10.2	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	254.4	4.0
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	136.7	10.2	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	260.9	2.6
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	136.4	-0.2	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	270.5	3.7
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	141	3.4	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	277.9	2.7
2002	1,574.4	1.5	110.1	3.0	319.0	3.1	118.9	2.3	136.7	-3.0	139.7	2.9	217.3	6.6	171.0	0.2	277.1	-0.3
									seasonally adjusted									
2002 Jan	1,561.4		106.4		311.2		115.6		137		138.7		215.3		175.1		278.5	
Feb	1,549.5	-0.8	107.0	0.6	311.9	0.2	111.7	-3.4	140.8	2.8	134.7	-2.9	210.2	-2.4	175.7	0.3	276.4	-0.8
Mar	1,558.1	0.6	104.8	-2.1	303.2	-2.8	110.0	-1.5	136	-3.4	139.5	3.6	211.4	0.6	180.1	2.5	289.1	4.6
Apr	1,568.6	0.7	106.2	1.3	321.1	5.9	108.2	-1.6	134.9	-0.8	143.1	2.6	216.3	2.3	179.0	-0.6	278.4	-3.7
May	1,559.1	-0.6	107.0	0.8	320.4	-0.2	111.5	3.0	135.8	0.7	138.9	-2.9	213.6	-1.2	173.1	-3.3	276.8	-0.6
Jun	1,581.4	1.4	109.4	2.2	319.0	-0.4	118.9	6.6	137.6	1.3	141.0	1.5	218.7	2.4	172.1	-0.6	280.2	1.2
Jul	1,586.0	0.3	113.0	3.3	323.8	1.5	118.8	-0.1	131.5	-4.4	141.7	0.5	222.4	1.7	170.2	-1.1	277.1	-1.1
Aug	1,593.0	0.4	108.7	-3.8	323.5	-0.1	123.5	4.0	135.8	3.3	147.0	3.7	218.0	-2.0	167.0	-1.9	283.4	2.3
Sep	1,591.1	-0.1	116.7	7.4	323.8	0.1	123.9	0.3	142.7	5.1	141.9	-3.5	218.0	0.0	166.1	-0.5	269.1	-5.0
Oct	1,583.2	-0.5	114.9	-1.5	322.0	-0.6	128.4	3.6	134.9	-5.5	137.7	-3.0	223.8	2.7	165.1	-0.6	269.0	0.0
Nov	1,583.5	0.0	111.7	-2.8	321.6	-0.1	127.8	-0.5	137.2	1.7	136.1	-1.2	220.9	-1.3	167.1	1.2	276.1	2.6
Dec	1,578.1	-0.3	115.4	3.3	324.9	1.0	128.9	0.9	135.5	-1.2	138.2	1.5	219.6	-0.6	161.9	-3.1	269.5	-2.4
2003 Jan	1,574.2	-0.2	116.7	1.1	328.3	1.0	128.4	-0.4	128.4	-5.2	148.4	7.4	207.5	-5.5	162.6	0.4	270.9	0.5
Feb	1,580.1	0.4	116.6	-0.1	323.6	-1.4	127.9	-0.4	129	0.5	150.0	1.1	211.8	2.1	159.8	-1.7	272.1	0.4
Mar	1,584.4	0.3	119.8	2.7	318.7	-1.5	127.7	-0.2	131	1.6	153.7	2.5	211.6	-0.1	159.6	-0.1	276.4	1.6
Apr																		
May																		
Jun																		
Jul																		
Aug																		
Sep																		
Oct																		
Nov																		
Dec																		
Average:																		
Jan-Mar02	1,556.3		106.1		308.8		112.4		137.9		137.6		212.3		177.0		281.3	
Jan-Mar03	1,579.6		117.7		323.5		128.0		129.5		150.7		210.3		160.7		273.1	
% Change	1.5		11.0		4.8		13.8		-6.1		9.5		-0.9		-9.2		-2.9	

	Public Administration	
	Emp ('000)	% Chg
1993	101.3	
1994	100.1	-1.2
1995	103.8	3.7
1996	107.0	3.1
1997	99.5	-7.0
1998	93.1	-6.4
1999	90.4	-2.9
2000	89.7	-0.8
2001	88.8	-1.0
2002	84.7	-4.6
2002 Jan	83.5	
Feb	81.0	-3.0
Mar	84.1	3.8
Apr	81.4	-3.2
May	82.1	0.9
Jun	84.5	2.9
Jul	87.6	3.7
Aug	86.1	-1.7
Sep	88.8	3.1
Oct	87.3	-1.7
Nov	84.8	-2.9
Dec	84.2	-0.7
2003 Jan	83.1	-1.3
Feb	89.4	7.6
Mar	86.0	-3.8
Average:		
Jan-Mar02	82.9	
Jan-Mar03	86.2	
% Change	4.0	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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Source: Statistics Canada

8 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Occupation, Actual

	Management		Business Finance & Admin.		Natural & Applied Sciences		Health		Social Sci. Education Govt Service & Religion		Art Culture Recreation & Sport		Sales & Service		Trades Transport & Equipment Operators		Occupations Unique to Primary		Occupations Unique to Processing, Mfg & Utilities		All Occupations	
	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %
1993	162.8	3.3	322.9	5.5	81.7	5.3	91.4	2.0	104.8	3.9	43.1	6.5	434.6	8.7	285.0	10.6	69.3	15.2	80.2	9.7	1,675.9	9.7
1994	173.4	3.9	332.8	4.5	87.0	4.2	86.1	2.0	116.3	3.1	50.1	7.2	470.1	7.6	288.1	9.7	67.9	14.3	82.2	9.4	1,754.0	9.0
1995	177.5	3.1	339.0	4.4	89.5	4.0	89.5	2.4	112.2	3.2	53.9	4.6	486.2	6.4	291.6	9.6	65.6	15.7	87.4	8.4	1,792.3	8.4
1996	185.4	3.3	329.7	3.7	96.5	3.9	89.8	2.3	122.1	2.7	56.2	5.4	486.9	7.1	290.8	9.0	71.0	14.9	92.6	8.6	1,821.2	8.7
1997	181.5	2.9	342.0	3.7	102.0	3.2	95.8	1.8	124.0	2.7	56.5	6.5	501.1	5.8	304.3	7.1	68.7	15.7	93.0	7.9	1,869.0	8.4
1998	194.8	2.6	343.2	3.3	106.8	4.5	96.7	1.5	116.1	3.7	58.2	5.4	511.1	6.4	282.8	9.0	68.6	16.3	91.8	9.3	1,870.2	8.8
1999	197.8	2.4	347.8	3.6	119.5	3.3	95.3	1.7	125.8	2.6	67.4	4.1	510.9	6.7	282.7	7.8	65.3	14.6	93.8	7.6	1,906.4	8.3
2000	204.1	1.8	340.2	3.2	122.0	2.2	101.6	0.7	131.7	2.6	62.1	5.0	530.2	5.4	278.0	7.7	71.7	13.6	107.5	6.1	1,949.1	7.2
2001	174.3	2.6	340.4	4.1	118.5	4.7	103.6	1.8	130.1	3.1	59.5	5.9	566.0	5.4	280.1	7.5	63.8	13.4	106.1	8.7	1,942.4	7.7
2002	176.0	2.8	330.1	4.3	116.4	5.2	114.9	2.0	145.0	2.9	65.2	6.5	578.4	5.9	278.8	7.8	63.1	14.7	105.4	9.5	1,973.4	8.5
2002 Jan	168.8	3.1	321.8	4.0	122.1	6.1	105.9	2.4	142.8	1.6	66.4	4.0	560.5	6.3	263.2	12.0	46.6	23.9	101.6	12.0	1,899.6	9.6
Feb	182.9	3.4	323.0	3.6	114.2	6.5	99.8	4.9	142.9	1.8	58.7	4.9	576.8	6.0	259.3	11.3	46.2	19.7	99.9	10.8	1,903.7	9.3
Mar	179.0	3.1	329.0	3.4	117.7	4.4	105.2	1.9	150.0	1.0	69.0	6.6	560.6	6.7	261.3	11.4	48.7	16.9	100.1	13.2	1,920.6	9.3
Apr	187.8	2.4	327.5	5.0	110.6	5.7	114.7	1.1	158.2	1.2	65.6	3.7	559.8	6.1	261.2	8.2	52.6	24.7	100.1	7.6	1,938.1	9.0
May	188.0	3.3	328.9	5.8	111.4	6.1	112.9	2.7	146.1	2.1	64.2	9.4	568.0	6.0	280.6	6.8	60.2	20.1	101.6	11.6	1,961.8	9.3
Jun	189.9	1.4	332.1	5.0	119.2	5.5	113.3	2.3	142.2	2.9	64.4	6.3	588.8	4.9	286.1	6.7	66.9	15.4	107.8	8.7	2,010.7	8.2
Jul	178.3	3.3	328.2	4.9	114.2	5.4	126.0	1.3	126.9	5.2	70.7	5.0	598.3	5.9	296.1	5.2	71.1	7.7	113.2	7.6	2,023.0	8.3
Aug	158.0	3.8	337.7	4.6	118.4	2.8	123.1	2.1	135.3	8.8	71.4	4.4	591.9	5.6	304.8	5.2	80.8	6.6	114.0	8.4	2,035.3	7.9
Sep	164.5	2.8	334.6	3.9	114.8	4.9	115.6	3.2	152.5	4.1	65.7	8.8	598.6	4.7	290.3	5.3	78.7	7.3	105.3	6.9	2,020.6	7.5
Oct	163.9	3.0	326.5	3.6	118.9	4.4	121.0	1.4	148.9	1.5	64.0	6.4	583.2	6.8	290.0	5.5	74.5	11.9	111.6	6.1	2,002.5	7.7
Nov	176.5	2.1	328.2	5.0	117.8	6.2	121.7	1.1	144.6	2.0	59.4	7.0	588.9	6.2	278.1	8.2	63.9	17.1	108.8	7.6	1,987.9	8.5
Dec	174.4	2.5	343.6	3.5	118.1	4.4	119.1	0.5	149.9	2.1	63.5	9.3	565.6	5.9	274.7	8.2	66.8	12.7	101.2	13.0	1,977.0	8.1
2003 Jan	169.8	2.1	340.9	5.5	120.5	5.9	113.8	1.2	151.6	1.9	63.2	7.3	548.7	6.9	269.6	9.6	64.7	20.7	101.6	11.5	1,944.5	9.0
Feb	175.9	1.5	326.5	5.5	121.6	6.5	115.9	1.8	153.1	1.2	65.7	9.1	565.1	6.2	274.1	9.1	67.8	18.6	105.6	8.9	1,971.3	8.7
Mar	172.8	1.9	327.0	3.5	126.7	5.7	115.5	0.4	153.7	2.3	67.1	7.1	563.0	5.5	286.8	7.8	78.4	15.3	107.4	6.3	1,998.2	7.9
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Average:																						
Jan-Mar02	176.9	3.2	324.6	3.7	118.0	5.7	103.6	3.0	145.2	1.5	64.7	5.2	566.0	6.3	261.3	11.6	47.2	20.1	100.5	12.0	1,908.0	9.4
Jan-Mar03	172.8	1.8	331.5	4.9	122.9	6.1	115.1	1.1	152.8	1.8	65.3	7.8	558.9	6.2	276.8	8.8	70.3	18.2	104.9	8.9	1,971.3	8.5
% Change	-2.3		2.1		4.2		11.0		5.2		1.0		-1.2		6.0		49.0		4.3		3.3	

NOTES: *1. Occupation specific Unemployment Rates include only those unemployed who worked in the past year. The "All Occupations" rate incorporates total unemployed persons which includes an "Occupation Unclassified" category.*

2. Due to the relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Source: Statistics Canada

Produced by: BC STATS

9 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Region and Metropolitan Area

	British Columbia		Vancouver		Victoria		Development Regions											
							Vancouver Island/ Coast		Mainland/ Southwest		Thompson-Okanagan		Kootenay		Cariboo		North Coast & Nechako		Northeast	
	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %
1993	1,675.9	9.7	869.5	9.3	138.8	8.3												
1994	1,754.0	9.0	908.9	8.6	144.3	7.1												
1995	1,792.3	8.4	929.6	7.9	143.1	8.4	309.9	9.2	1055.8	7.9	194.7	10.2	69.7	8.0	80.4	9.7	49.1	8.2	32.7	6.6
1996	1,821.2	8.7	948.6	8.0	143.5	8.5	309.8	9.4	1073.4	8.3	201.1	10.4	65.7	8.7	86.8	8.6	51.9	7.5	32.4	7.2
1997	1,869.0	8.4	971.3	8.3	149.8	7.5	322.7	8.6	1104.0	8.3	207.7	8.3	65.7	9.3	84.0	9.8	51.8	9.1	33.1	4.6
1998	1,870.2	8.8	979.6	8.1	146.6	8.7	315.7	9.6	1113.4	8.1	208.2	8.2	70.6	11.8	83.3	14.5	47.4	9.5	31.7	NA
1999	1,906.4	8.3	1,005.4	7.8	154.2	6.7	329.1	8.0	1,140.1	7.8	207.1	9.7	69.5	9.0	82.9	11.6	46.7	8.8	30.8	8.9
2000	1,949.1	7.2	1,044.5	5.9	153.6	6.7	325.8	7.8	1,177.9	6.2	212.7	9.2	71.2	10.1	81.5	9.9	47.5	10.2	32.5	6.1
2001	1,942.4	7.7	1,051.1	6.6	148.9	6.1	305.3	9.1	1,187.9	6.6	213.7	9.2	71.9	9.6	83.0	9.7	47.4	10.9	33.2	5.9
2002	1,973.4	8.5	1,076.2	7.8	151.2	7.1	311.9	8.7	1,221.6	7.8	210.0	9.3	68.3	10.1	81.9	12.6	46.3	12.6	33.4	9.0
	3- month moving average, actual, ending in:																			
2002 Jan	1,905.0	9.1	1,033.7	8.2	153.2	6.4	306.9	10.1	1,169.2	8.3	198.3	9.8	70.7	10.4	83.5	11.8	44.9	13.5	31.5	8.7
Feb	1,901.0	9.4	1,029.5	8.5	151.7	7.4	307.5	10.4	1,165.2	8.6	197.4	10.2	70.1	10.1	83.7	12.1	45.2	13.6	31.9	8.1
Mar	1,908.0	9.4	1,031.5	8.4	151.2	7.9	309.3	10.2	1,168.3	8.5	199.3	10.3	69.5	10.8	82.9	13.0	45.5	14.6	33.1	7.3
Apr	1,920.8	9.2	1,038.7	8.2	151.1	7.6	313.0	9.4	1,178.5	8.2	201.7	10.4	66.9	11.7	81.7	13.3	45.5	15.8	33.4	7.7
May	1,940.1	9.2	1,052.5	8.3	151.6	6.9	315.5	8.7	1,194.8	8.3	205.5	10.3	66.3	11.1	80.0	14.7	45.2	16.1	32.9	10.1
Jun	1,970.2	8.8	1,069.8	8.0	150.8	6.9	317.1	8.4	1,214.8	8.0	212.8	10.1	66.5	9.9	80.8	13.6	45.4	15.0	32.8	11.6
Jul	1,998.5	8.6	1,085.7	7.9	151.2	7.0	315.7	8.3	1,233.6	7.9	217.0	9.6	69.6	8.0	81.8	13.7	47.1	12.9	33.6	10.6
Aug	2,023.0	8.1	1,100.8	7.3	151.8	7.2	314.4	8.6	1,252.2	7.3	219.1	9.6	71.0	7.6	83.1	12.6	48.8	10.8	34.4	9.2
Sep	2,026.3	7.9	1,108.3	7.2	152.9	6.9	312.7	8.4	1,260.0	7.3	216.7	8.8	69.9	7.9	83.1	12.2	49.3	9.4	34.6	7.7
Oct	2,019.5	7.7	1,104.1	7.4	152.4	6.7	313.8	7.6	1,254.7	7.4	217.4	7.9	68.4	9.1	83.8	10.4	47.6	9.5	33.9	8.1
Nov	2,003.7	7.9	1,102.4	7.7	150.2	6.5	310.6	7.5	1,250.4	7.6	215.0	7.5	66.6	10.4	82.1	10.7	45.8	10.7	33.2	9.0
Dec	1,989.2	8.1	1,095.1	7.7	149.8	6.4	308.7	7.7	1,243.3	7.6	211.2	8.0	67.2	11.7	80.7	11.9	45.0	11.6	33.2	9.3
2003 Jan	1,969.8	8.5	1,090.1	7.6	150.1	6.5	305.1	9.1	1,236.1	7.6	204.3	9.4	67.2	11.9	78.4	13.1	45.1	11.7	33.6	8.9
Feb	1,964.3	8.6	1,084.0	7.6	151.5	6.4	308.7	9.0	1,229.7	7.6	200.2	9.6	67.2	13.5	79.2	13.0	45.5	11.3	33.7	8.2
Mar	1,971.3	8.5	1,083.4	7.4	152.8	6.0	313.0	9.0	1,228.7	7.4	201.7	9.7	68.2	14.4	79.9	12.8	46.0	11.4	33.8	7.1
Apr																				
May																				
Jun																				
Jul																				
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Oct																				
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Dec																				
Average:	year-to-date averages are based on monthy actual data																			
Jan-Mar02	1,908.0	9.4	1,031.5	8.4	151.2	7.9	309.3	10.2	1,168.3	8.5	199.3	10.2	69.5	10.8	82.9	13.0	45.5	14.7	33.1	7.3
Jan-Mar03	1,971.3	8.5	1,083.4	7.4	152.8	6.0	313.0	9.0	1,228.7	7.4	201.7	9.7	68.2	14.4	79.9	12.8	46.0	11.2	33.8	7.2
% Change	3.3		5.0		1.1		1.2		5.2		1.2		-1.9		-3.7		1.0		2.1	

NOTE: Geographic boundaries changed on January 1, 1995.

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Source: Statistics Canada

10 BC Employment by Class of Worker

	Total Employment		Employees						Self-Employed	
			Total		Public		Private			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1993	1,675.9		1,383.6		341.6		1,042.0		292.3	
1994	1,754.0	4.7	1,451.2	4.9	338.5	-0.9	1,112.8	6.8	302.8	3.6
1995	1,792.3	2.2	1,489.8	2.7	335.3	-0.9	1,154.5	3.7	302.5	-0.1
1996	1,821.2	1.6	1,499.8	0.7	330.7	-1.4	1,169.1	1.3	321.3	6.2
1997	1,869.0	2.6	1,507.6	0.5	332.0	0.4	1,175.5	0.5	361.4	12.5
1998	1,870.2	0.1	1,481.5	-1.7	328.9	-0.9	1,152.7	-1.9	388.6	7.5
1999	1,906.4	1.9	1,513.8	2.2	339.8	3.3	1,174.0	1.8	392.6	1.0
2000	1,949.1	2.2	1,583.0	4.6	354.6	4.4	1,228.4	4.6	366.1	-6.7
2001	1,942.4	-0.3	1,581.9	-0.1	354.4	-0.1	1,227.5	-0.1	360.4	-1.6
2002	1,973.4	1.6	1,598.5	1.0	354.8	0.1	1,243.7	1.3	374.9	4.0
					seasonally adjusted					
2002 Jan	1,942.4		1,575.1		352.4		1,222.7		367.3	
Feb	1,933.7	-0.4	1,572.0	-0.2	338.8	-3.9	1,233.2	0.9	361.7	-1.5
Mar	1,945.3	0.6	1,576.0	0.3	349.3	3.1	1,226.7	-0.5	369.3	2.1
Apr	1,957.2	0.6	1,581.8	0.4	349.2	0.0	1,232.6	0.5	375.3	1.6
May	1,944.8	-0.6	1,569.8	-0.8	349.1	0.0	1,220.7	-1.0	374.9	-0.1
Jun	1,974.1	1.5	1,596.3	1.7	354.2	1.5	1,242.1	1.8	377.8	0.8
Jul	1,987.8	0.7	1,608.5	0.8	359.7	1.6	1,248.8	0.5	379.3	0.4
Aug	2,001.6	0.7	1,623.0	0.9	360.9	0.3	1,262.1	1.1	378.7	-0.2
Sep	2,001.3	0.0	1,626.5	0.2	365.5	1.3	1,261.0	-0.1	374.8	-1.0
Oct	1,997.9	-0.2	1,612.2	-0.9	360.3	-1.4	1,251.9	-0.7	385.7	2.9
Nov	1,997.2	0.0	1,612.9	0.0	357.2	-0.9	1,255.7	0.3	384.4	-0.3
Dec	1,994.6	-0.1	1,624.8	0.7	359.3	0.6	1,265.5	0.8	369.8	-3.8
2003 Jan	1,990.3	-0.2	1,625.0	0.0	362.0	0.8	1,263.0	-0.2	365.3	-1.2
Feb	2,002.0	0.6	1,637.7	0.8	377.2	4.2	1,260.5	-0.2	364.3	-0.3
Mar	2,019.7	0.9	1,644.5	0.4	373.0	-1.1	1,271.5	0.9	375.2	3.0
Apr										
May										
Jun										
Jul										
Aug										
Sep										
Oct										
Nov										
Dec										
Average:										
Jan-Mar02	1,940.5		1,574.4		346.8		1,227.5		366.1	
Jan-Mar03	2,004.0		1,635.7		370.7		1,265.0		368.3	
% Change	3.3		3.9		6.9		3.1		0.6	

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Source: Statistics Canada

Labour Force Statistics

This report is based on statistics from the Labour Force Survey produced monthly by Statistics Canada. Questions and comments should be directed to Anne Kittredge at (250)387-0374 or Anne.Kittredge@gems6.gov.bc.ca.

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Reference Week

Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment, and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

Labour Force

The labour force is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) did any work at all, or (b) had a job but were not at work due to own illness or disability, personal or family responsibilities, bad weather, labour dispute, vacation, or other reason not specified above (excluding persons whose job attachment was to a job to start at a definite date in the future).

Unemployment

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with the reference week), and were available for work; or (b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had been on layoff and were available for work; or (c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Unemployment Rate

The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a per-centage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number of unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

Participation Rate

The participation rate represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the labour force for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Employment Rate

The employment rate(employment/population ratio) is the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the employment for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Rounding

Estimates published by the Labour Force Survey are rounded to the nearest thousand but all derived values (totals, averages, rates, ratios, percent changes, etc.) are calculated from unrounded figures. Therefore, the sum of the individual rounded items may not equal the total. Unadjusted estimates rounded to hundreds are available from BC STATS on request.

Seasonal Adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods, and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

Source: Extracted from Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey, Definitions and Explanations